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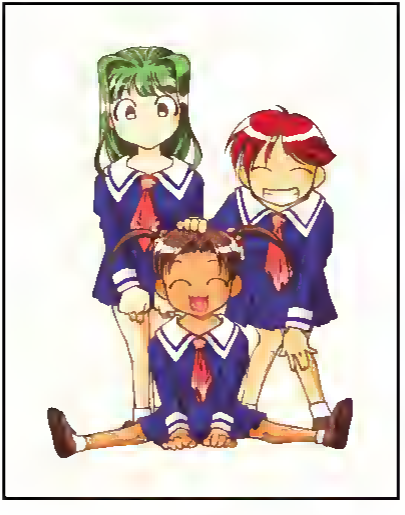

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CHAPTER 76 TOMOGAKI FRIENDS

Dear Grandma, how are you? Chika's favorite season, summer, has come once again.
Studying for my new school is really hard!!
And I'm also a little sad that I'm not close to the ocean.

I guess it's a fair trade because Chika likes her school.
THAT'S ALL FOR TODAY!
They took forever!
OMIGOD-- I CAN'T BELIEVE FINALS ARE FINALLY OVER...
KAORU
SOME OF THE THINGS KAORU TAUGHT ME SHOWED UP ON THE TEST ONII-CHAN IS SO HELPFUL
THANKS, ONII-CHAN!!

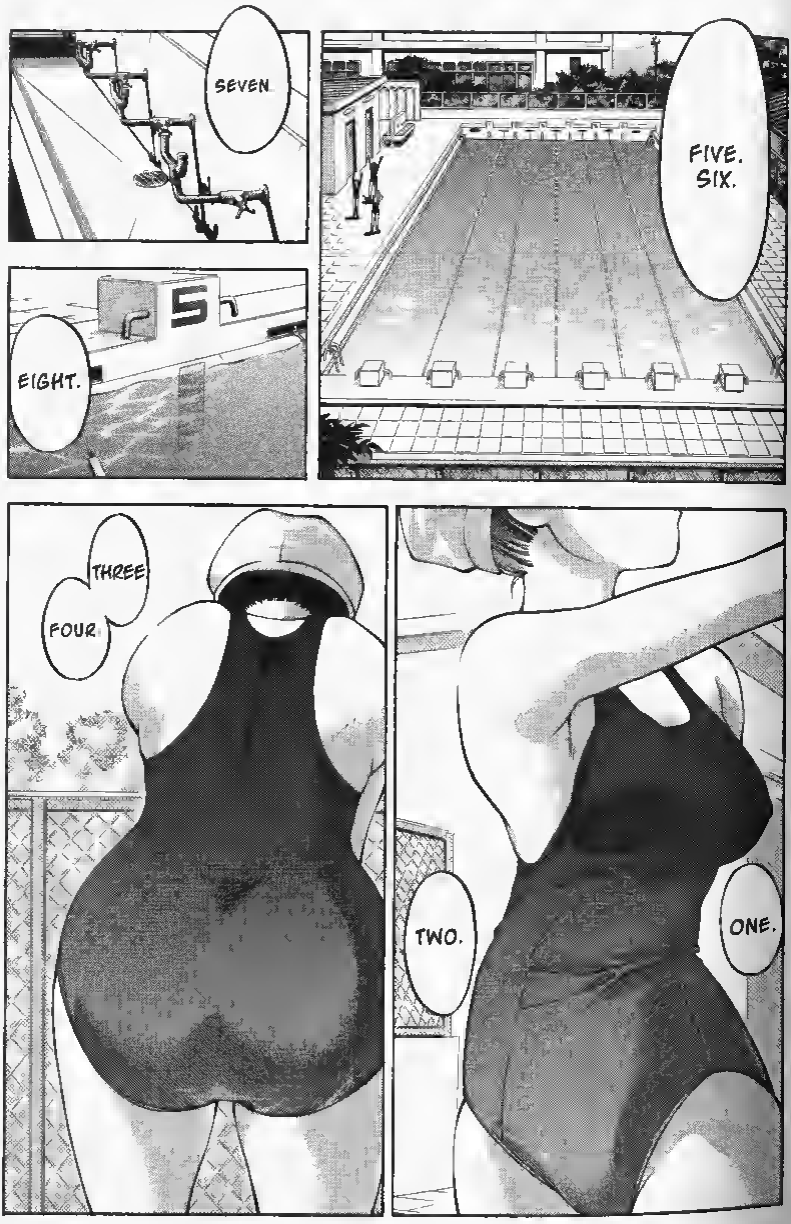
HEY, CHIZURU-CHAN!
UH, UM, MINAZUKI-SAN...
Let me tell you about my friends! One of them is Chizuru Aizawa-chan. Chika met her in the swimming club.
UM, C-CAN WE E-EAT LUNCH TOGETH--
A-ACTUALLY, NEVER MIND!
NO, WAIT!! I WANNA EAT WITH YOU!

She's a little shy, but she's really nice
THANK YOU, MINAZUKI-SAN
COME ON. YOU CAN CALL CHIKA BY HER NAME--CHIKA!
O-OKAY, CHIKA CHAN
I'M HUNGRY! FOOD, FOOD!
LET'S EAT!!
Then there's Natsuki Komiya-chan. She's in the swimming club, too.
I'm taking one!
OH! SO DELICIOUS!
ACK! THAT'S...

Natsuki-chan is so full of energy, she's Chika's top competition
Ugh, what is this?
Tae-neechan made that
Tae-neechan? This tastes horrible!
She's a lot like me because she likes to always keep moving and stuff like that.
CHIKA, CHIZURU...
HOW'D YOU DO ON YOUR TESTS?!
TEE HEE HEE! PERFECTLY !!
WHAT ABOUT YOU, NATSUKI-CHAN?
DON'T ASK ME THAT !!

わ～
Every day is pretty crazy when we all hang out
Waaaahhh! I'll make you retake the tests with me!
If I get red marks,
Eehh?!
B-BUT, YOU ASKED US FIRST, NATSUKI-CHAN!
HMM?!
WHAAA--?! CHIKA, WHAT IS THIS?
AH!
わあ
S-STOP IT... DON'T LOOK AT THAT!
THIS BOOK IS IRREPLACE-ABLE!

I CAN'T BELIEVE IT! CHIKA-CHAN'S NOT AFRAID OF BOYS...
HOW CAN A GIRL LIKE HER GET A GUY LIKE THAT...?
I've underestimated her
Woo-haaa! I want a boyfriend!!
I- INTRODUCE ME TO A GUY, TOO!!
ONE.
TWO.
THREE.
FOUR.


SEVEN.
FIVE.
SIX.
EIGHT.
5
THREE.
FOUR.
TWO.
ONE.

ARE WE REALLY THE ONLY ONES IN THE SWIMMING CLUB?!
I GUESS THERE WERE MORE, BUT THEY'RE ALL GOING ON TO COLLEGE, SO...
UNGH...
NN?!
I LIKE HAVING THE POOL TO OURSELVES EVERY DAY.
YOU THINK SO?
IT'S KINDA LONELY OUT HERE.
I WONDER IF THEY HAVE TO STUDY MORE THAN US?
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6
C'MON, LET'S SWIM!!

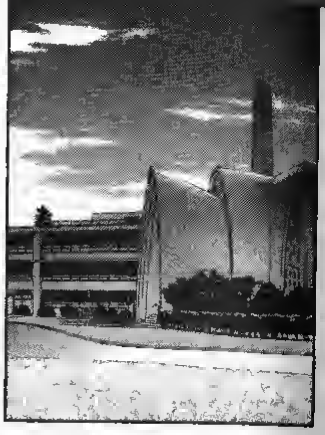
GASP

...MAKES ME FEEL ALIVE
BEING IN THE WATER...
チャプ
うおぉ～
I WON'T LOSE !!
SHE'S DROWNING AGAIN!!
UWAH !!
HUH? WHERE'S CHIZURU-CHAN?
YOU'RE ALWAYS SO FAST, CHIKA.
Tee hee
Dammit
うわ～
Uwaaahhh! Don't die, Chizuru!

SHOWER ROOM
SHEESH. YOU NEVER GET ANY BETTER, CHIZURU.
I-I'M SORRY...
I-IT'S OKAY, CHIZURU-CHAN...
しゅん

Aa
...BECAUSE YOU ARE GETTING BETTER! THE PLACE YOU SANK THIS TIME WAS TWO METERS FARTHER THAN LAST TIME.
WHY DID YOU JOIN THE SWIMMING CLUB, NATSUKI-CHAN?
My athletic physique is gonna catch me a man.
TO IMPROVE MY FIGURE, OF COURSE.
BECAUSE I LIKE SWIMMING!
WHAT ABOUT YOU, CHIKA?
giggle
Teehee hee
I KNEW YOU'D SAY THAT.

LATER, CHIKA --!
SEE YOU TOMORROW



BYE-BYE!!
YEAH!

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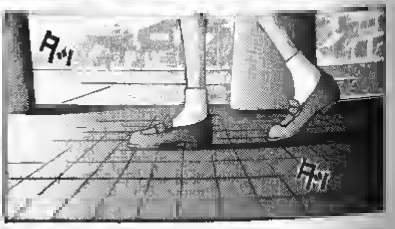
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HAH!
HAH!
HAH!
HAH!
I'M HOME --!!

ONII-CHAN!!
ACH!

TODAY SOME THINGS THAT ONII-CHAN TAUGHT ME SHOWED UP ON MY TEST!!
REALLY? THAT'S GREAT.

I'LL DEFINITELY GET A GOOD SCORE NOW!
AND SO, AND SO...

WELCOME BACK, CHIKA-CHAN.
ONII-CHAN, LISTEN, LISTEN!!

...I THINK I WANT ONII-CHAN TO PET MY HEAD LOTS AND LOTS TO CONGRATULATE ME.
WILL YOU?
Tee hee
VICTORY!
SURE. YOU WORKED REALLY HARD!!

YAAAHHHH!!
WHAT'S WRONG? YOU OKAY, TAE-NEECHAN?
U-UZUME ...
UZUME CAUGHT A HUGE SPIDER!!
KAORU-DONO!! DO SOME-THING!
MEEE ?!
CHIKARIN! I BOUGHT A NEW VIDEO GAME!
Let's play it together

EEEEEEE! THERE IT IS!!
AAAAH, IT'S HUGE!! WHAT IS IT?!
Chika has a lot of fun at school.
but I have even more fun at this house, where it's like a big party every day of the year!
Stop that, Uzume!

End of Chapter 76: Tomogaki—Friends

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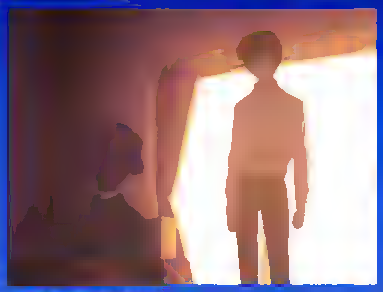
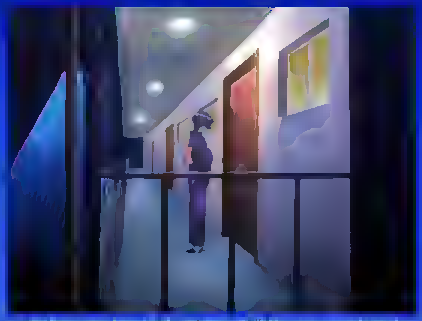


Kaoru, still trying to get over his shock at Aoi-chan's statement that she is going to become his wife. However, when she asks him to return to the Hanabishi family so they can be together, Kaoru suddenly becomes angry. He decides Aoi was merely a trick created by the Hanabishi to lure him back to their evil clutches.

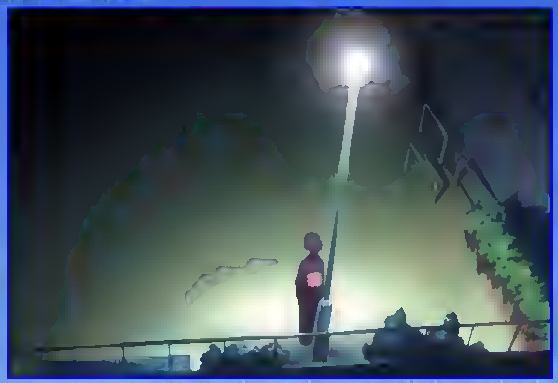
A cold Kaoru

A hostile Kaoru suddenly tells Aoi-chan to leave, he wants nothing to do with the Hanabishi or their tricks. After this, he trusts them even

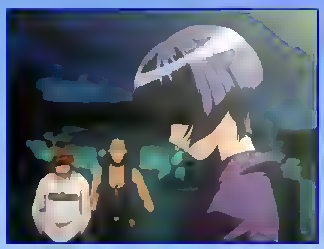


the door slammed in her face, now alone. What happened?

He can see Aoi-chan standing alone out under the streetlamp. I'm sure those Hanabishi guys rigged this, he tells himself.



they'll pick her up. Kaoru tells himself, looking out his window. Indeed, he notices a pair of guys have now appeared and are walking toward Aoi. Are they here to take her back home?



Kaoru realize

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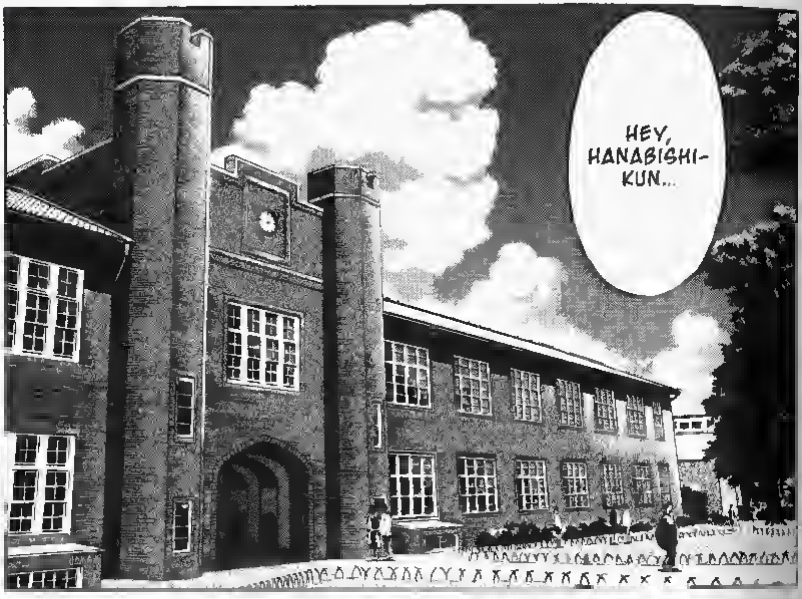
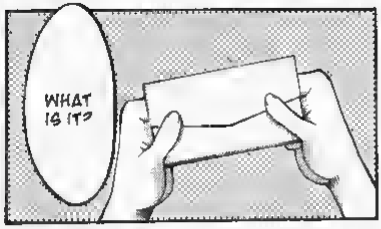
CHAPTER 77 SHIROTAE WHITE CLOTH


HEY, HANABISHI-KUN...

I THOUGHT YOU DESERVED A LITTLE SOMETHING FOR WORKING SO HARD HERE


WHAT IS IT?

HELLO, PROFESSOR WHAT CAN I DO FOR YOU?
THAT REPORT YOU JUST GAVE WAS VERY WELL DONE.
THANK YOU

WHY DON'T YOU GO HAVE FUN WITH YOUR GIRL-FRIEND?
You do have a girlfriend, don't you?
EH?! THESE ARE
IT'S NOT MUCH THEY EXPIRE TOMOR-ROW
...BUT I THOUGHT IT WOULD BE A WASTE IF THEY WENT UNUSED.
Y- YES, SIR...
ALL RIGHT, THEN CARRY ON!
WHAT AM I GONNA DO.?
.....

KAORU-SAMA!!

I'M SO HAPPY THAT WE GET TO SPEND THE DAY TOGETHER.
YOU'VE BEEN SO BUSY LATELY, I'VE BARELY SEEN YOU, KAORU-SAMA.
chuckle
TINA AND TAEKO-CHAN AND CHIKA-CHAN ARE ALL HOME VISITING THEIR FAMILIES.
IT SEEMED LIKE A RARE OPPORTUNITY TO DO SOMETHING ALONE.
Ha ha ha
TODAY I HAVE KAORU-SAMA ALL TO MYSELF.

OKAY
SINCE WE'RE HERE, LET'S EAT SOMETHING

WOW, I'VE NEVER BEEN TO CHINATOWN

ALL OF THESE PLACES LOOK REALLY EXPENSIVE
HMM, I SHOULD HAVE KEPT QUIET..

IT'S ALWAYS SO LIVELY AROUND HERE

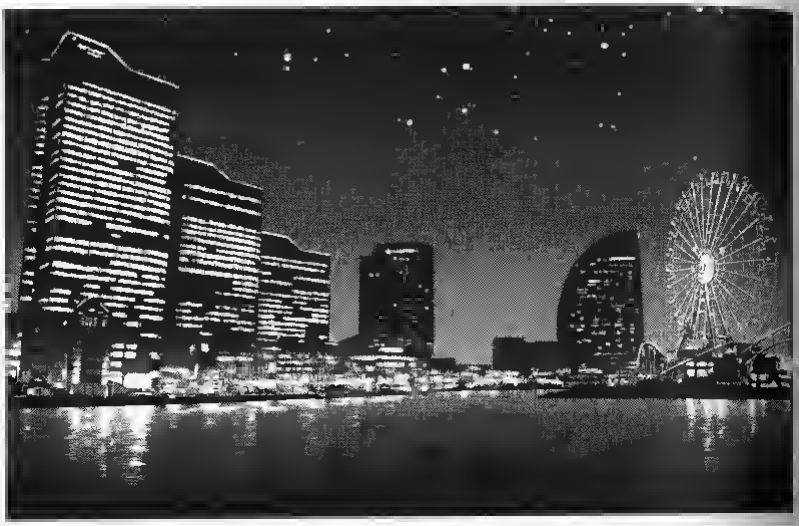
YES.
WANT TO TRY ONE?
THAT SOUNDS GOOD TO ME
KAORU-SAMA...
THEY HAVE MEAT BUNS EVEN THOUGH IT'S SUMMER!
WOWWW, IT'S SO BIG!!
WHEN IT'S JUST THE TWO OF US, WE CAN DO THINGS AS A COUPLE
I FORGOT
HOW LOVELY!
IT'S ALL RIGHT. WE CAN SHARE IT
I DON'T KNOW IF I CAN FINISH A BUN THIS SIZE
What will I do?

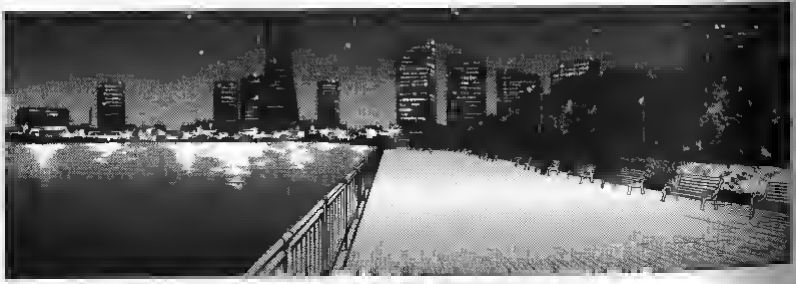
IT'S SO CROWDED...
I WONDER IF SOMETHING'S GOING ON?
AH!!

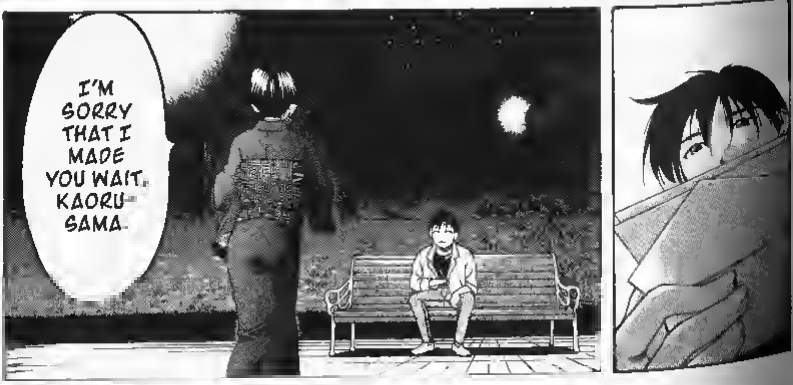
OH GOODNESS, SHE'S SO PRETTY!!
A WEDDING!

I BET YOU'D BE EVEN PRETTIER..
IN YOUR OWN WEDDING DRESS, AOI-CHAN
I WONDER IF ONE DAY...
...AOI-CHAN AND I WILL GET MARRIED LIKE THIS?

I HOPE I CAN MAKE AOI-CHAN AS HAPPY AS THAT WOMAN APPEARS TO BE.
DO I REALLY DESERVE TO HAVE SUCH A BLESSING IN MY LIFE?






I'M SORRY THAT I MADE YOU WAIT, KAORU-SAMA.

HUH?
AREN'T YOU HAVING ANY, AOI-CHAN?
THANKS!
I GOT YOU SOME ICE CREAM.
UM ..IF IT'S ALL RIGHT WITH YOU...
...I WAS THINKING... I'D LIKE US TO SHARE AGAIN.
HA HA... OKAY.

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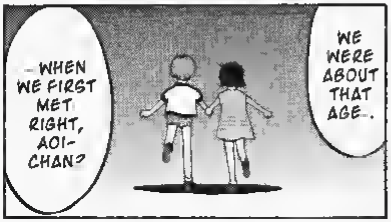
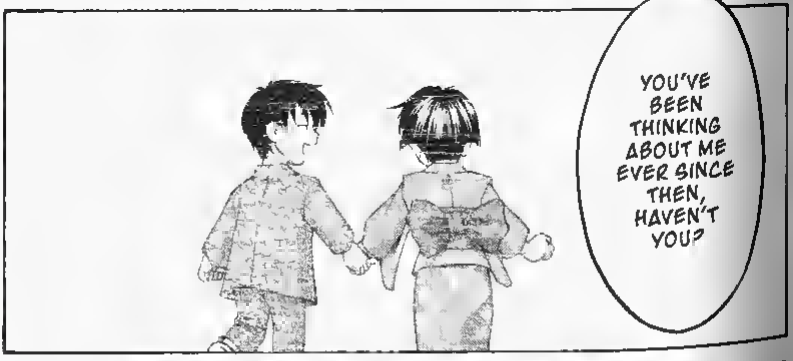
Yee-ha ha ha


WE WERE ABOUT THAT AGE...
—WHEN WE FIRST MET RIGHT, AOI-CHAN?


YOU'VE BEEN THINKING ABOUT ME EVER SINCE THEN, HAVEN'T YOU?

KAORU-SAMA...

TO HOLD ONE SPECIAL PERSON IN YOUR HEART...
...IS SOMETHING THAT TAKES A GREAT DEAL OF COURAGE

YOU CAN'T HELP BUT WONDER, "WHAT IF THE ONE I LOVE HATES ME IN RETURN?"
IT MADE ME TERRIBLY ANXIOUS AT TIMES.
THOSE FEELINGS
WOULD
..GO ON...
...AND ON...
...EVERY DAY.

...ERASE THE REST OF MY VARIOUS EMOTIONS...
WHEN THAT WOULD HAPPEN, I WOULD...
...AND FILL MY ENTIRE BEING...
...WITH MY AFFECTION FOR KAORU-SAMA.

I LOVE KAORU-SAMA SO MUCH...!"

I WOULD TELL MYSELF OVER AND OVER, "I CARE FOR KAORU-SAMA MORE THAN ANYONE ELSE.

...I WOULD BE HAPPY AGAIN.
AND JUST BY REMEMBERING MY LOVE FOR KAORU-SAMA...

THAT'S WHY AOI HAS BEEN ABLE TO...
...CARE FOR KAORU-SAMA AND KAORU-SAMA ONLY, FOR EVER AND EVER.

KAORU-SAMA...
PLEASE, LET ME GO ON...
...LOVING YOU FOR EVER AND EVER.

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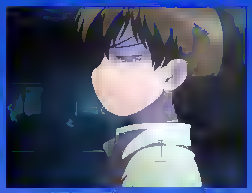
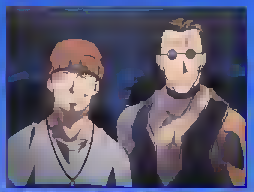
The [illegible] punks are [illegible] as Kaoru has suddenly gotten between them and their prey. *Hey, we asked her out first!* one of them exclaims. They get into his face, waiting for a response.

Though [illegible], Kaoru [illegible] get the words out. Finally—

[illegible] *Oh no, I said something really outrageous,* he thinks. Are they going to beat him up?

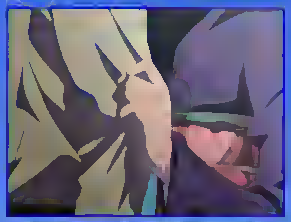


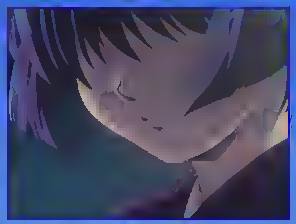
[illegible] standing firm, if shaking.



hair! He's [illegible] she's taken, [illegible] says.

[illegible] walk all by herself around here!

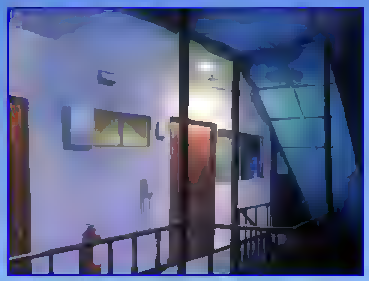


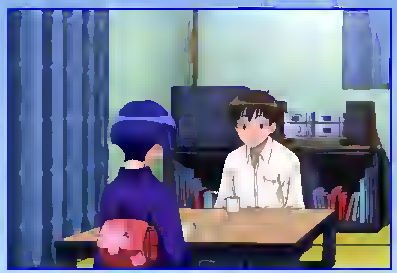


[illegible] Kaoru [illegible] two guys walk away. The crisis is over.

[illegible] *[illegible] scared?* Kaoru asks. Everything's okay now.

[illegible] a good [illegible]





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[illegible] s[illegible]

[illegible]

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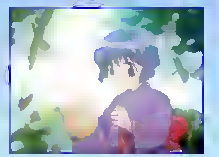

The visitors are sitting together [illegible] doubt meeting with Aoi's parents.

[illegible] a sma[illegible]

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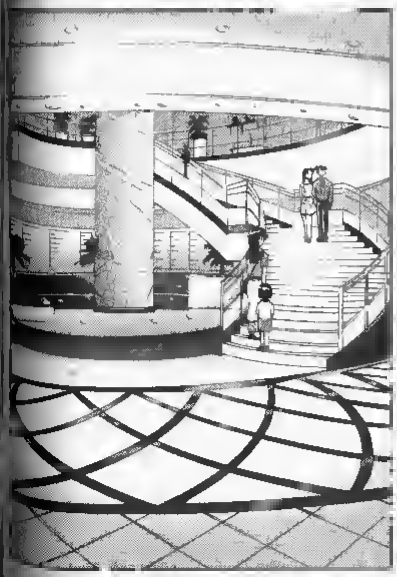

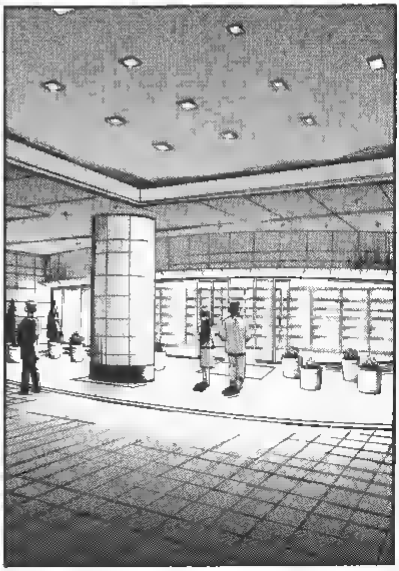

TONIGHT, LET'S STAY TOGETHER UNTIL MORNING.
WH-WHAT AM I GOING TO DO? I LIKE BEING WITH KAORU-SAMA...
...BUT TO SPEND THE NIGHT WITH HIM?!
IF WE SPENT THE NIGHT TOGETHER THAT MEANS...
...THAT IS...

SORRY YOU HAD TO WAIT, AOI-CHAN.
WE'RE ALL CHECKED IN.
O-OKAY.
UM, THANK YOU.
I'M SORRY, AOI-CHAN.
I DIDN'T MEAN TO SPRING THIS ON YOU SO SUDDENLY.

I WASN'T SURE WHAT TO DO WITH THEM
IT'S JUST...A PROFESSOR OF MINE GAVE ME PASSES FOR THIS HOTEL
N-NO, D-DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT...
WHAT I REALLY WANTED...
...WAS TO SPEND TIME ALONE WITH YOU, AOI-CHAN.
KAORU-SAMA..

WAAHH!!
THIS ROOM'S A LOT FANCIER THAN WHAT I EXPECTED...
MAYBE IT'S A GOOD THING I DIDN'T JUST TOSS THE TICKETS...

KAORU-SAMA, LOOK!
AH!!
WHOAAA!! HOW PRETTY!
I COULD STAY UP ALL NIGHT...
...LOOKING AT SUCH A BEAUTIFUL STARRY SKY WITH KAORU-SAMA

I'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO DO SOMETHING LIKE THIS.
HEE HEE. ME, TOO.

OH, BEFORE I FORGET, AOI-CHAN...
I WONDER IF YOU'D WAIT HERE FOR A BIT?
ARE YOU GOING SOME-WHERE?
YEAH. I'M GOING TO GIVE MIYABI-SAN A RING.

O-OH NO! I COMPLETELY FORGOT TO CALL MIYABI-SAN...
YEAH. I WAS THINKING WE SHOULD TOUCH BASE WITH HER.
IN THAT CASE, I'LL--
NO.
SINCE IT WAS MY IDEA TO STAY HERE...
...I SHOULD BE THE ONE TO TELL MIYABI-SAN.
DON'T WORRY. SIT TIGHT, AND I'LL BE RIGHT BACK.
I'M SORRY, MIYABI-SAN...
How could I...?
Uhh...
Ah...
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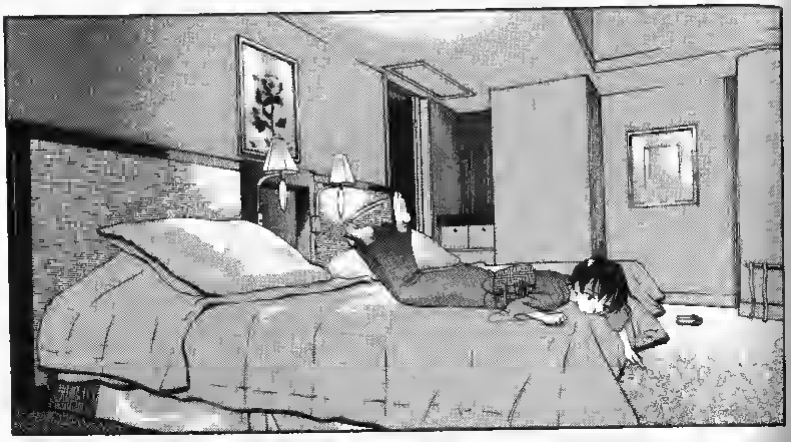
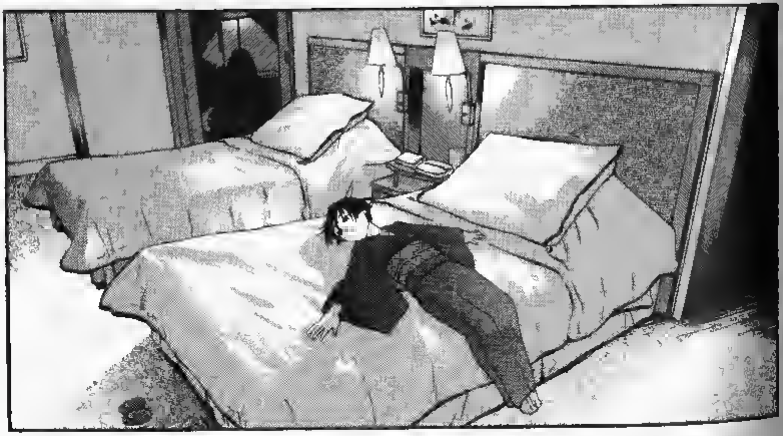
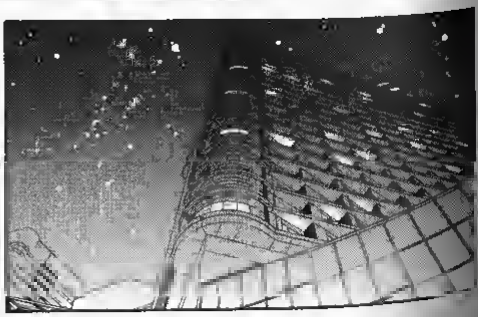
WHEN HE CALLS MIYABI-SAN, I'M SURE SHE'LL...
BUT I WONDER IF KAORU-SAMA WILL BE ALL RIGHT?
THAT'S OUT OF THE QUESTION!!
SPENDING THE NIGHT OUT TO-GETHER ?!!
Please, save Kaoru-sama's life
I-I'M SORRY, MIYABI-SAN!

I SHOULD PROBABLY ENJOY THE SCENERY WHILE I STILL CAN. I HOPE KAORU-SAMA HURRIES BACK TO LOOK AT IT WITH ME...
I'M SURE SHE'LL THROW A FIT, COME HERE AND DRAG US BACK TO THE MANSION.
WHY'RE YOU TAKING SO LONG, KAORU-SAMA?





SORRY FOR THE WAIT, AOI-CHAN.



KAORU-SAMA!
WH-WHA-WHAT'S WRONG, AOI-CHAN?
I'M SORRY. I GOT A LITTLE LONELY.
HA HA, NOW'S MY CHANCE TO ACT SPOILED!
BY THE WAY, I CALLED MIYABI-SAN...

Y-YES ...?
SHE SAID EVERYTHING WAS FINE.
EH ?!!
R-REALLY?! KAORU-SAMA!
B-B-B--
BUT, UM..

UM...
THAT IS...
THAT IS...IF WE STAY HERE, THAT MEANS...
AOI-CHAN, WHY DON'T YOU TAKE THE FIRST BATH?
O-OKAY
WE DID A LOT OF WALKING TODAY. YOU MUST BE ALL SWEATY.

ニュルル ル...

I'M REALLY SURPRISED. I CAN'T BELIEVE MIYABI-SAN WOULD LET US SPEND THE NIGHT AWAY FROM HOME.
OH, WAIT!
THAT MUST MEAN MIYABI-SAN FINALLY THINKS KAORU-SAMA IS WORTHY OF ME!
IT MUST BE BECAUSE KAORU-SAMA WENT ON TO GRADUATE SCHOOL AND HAS BEEN WORKING SO HARD

MY MIND IS MADE UP.
SO WHY AM I STILL NERVOUS?

OH... KAORU-SAMA...

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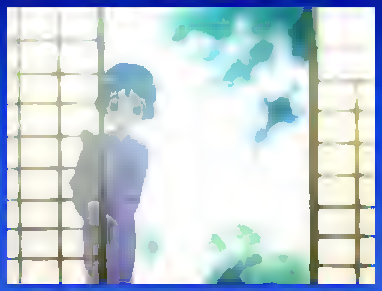
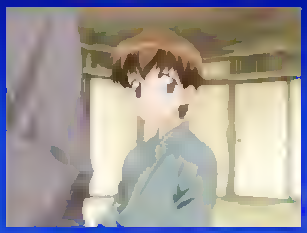


A young Aoi-chan curiously peeking into the room



A young Kaoru spots the peeking Aoi-chan...

... and waves cheerfully

A shy young Aoi-chan quickly hides, embarrassed
This was their first meeting.

Back in the present, Aoi explains that since their first meeting, she has been raised to become his wife. As his bride, she would do everything she can for him [illegible], s[illegible]s told to forget the promise was

That's why she came here. *I wanted to meet you in person and hear the truth from you,* she informs him

I didn't leave the Hanabishi because I didn't like you, Kaoru tells her. Aoi's sudden look of relief *Well, a lot happened back there,* he adds

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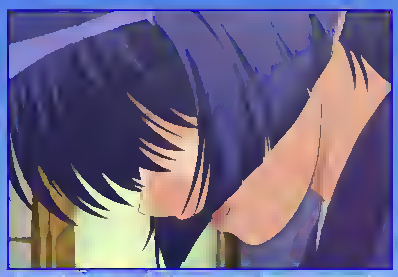
[illegible]

[illegible]



[illegible] nervo[illegible]

[illegible]

T[illegible] is taking a bath in my [illegible] As [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

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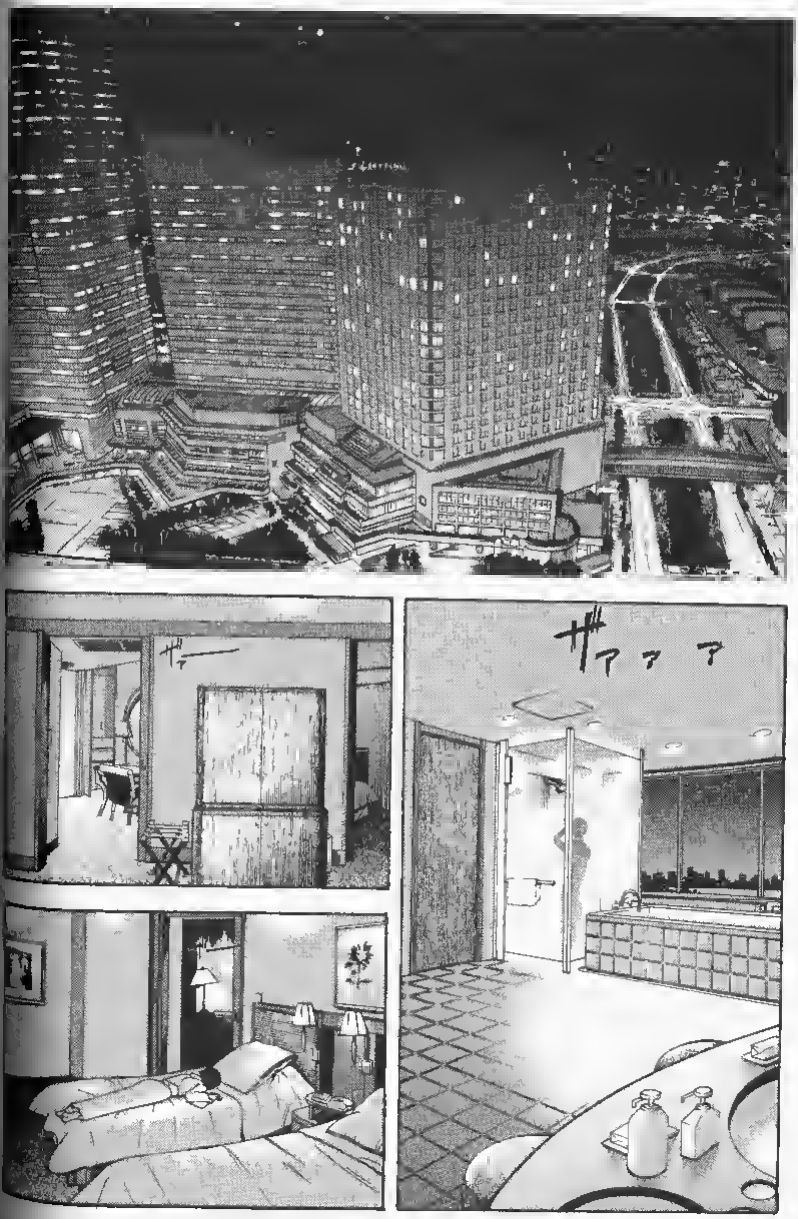
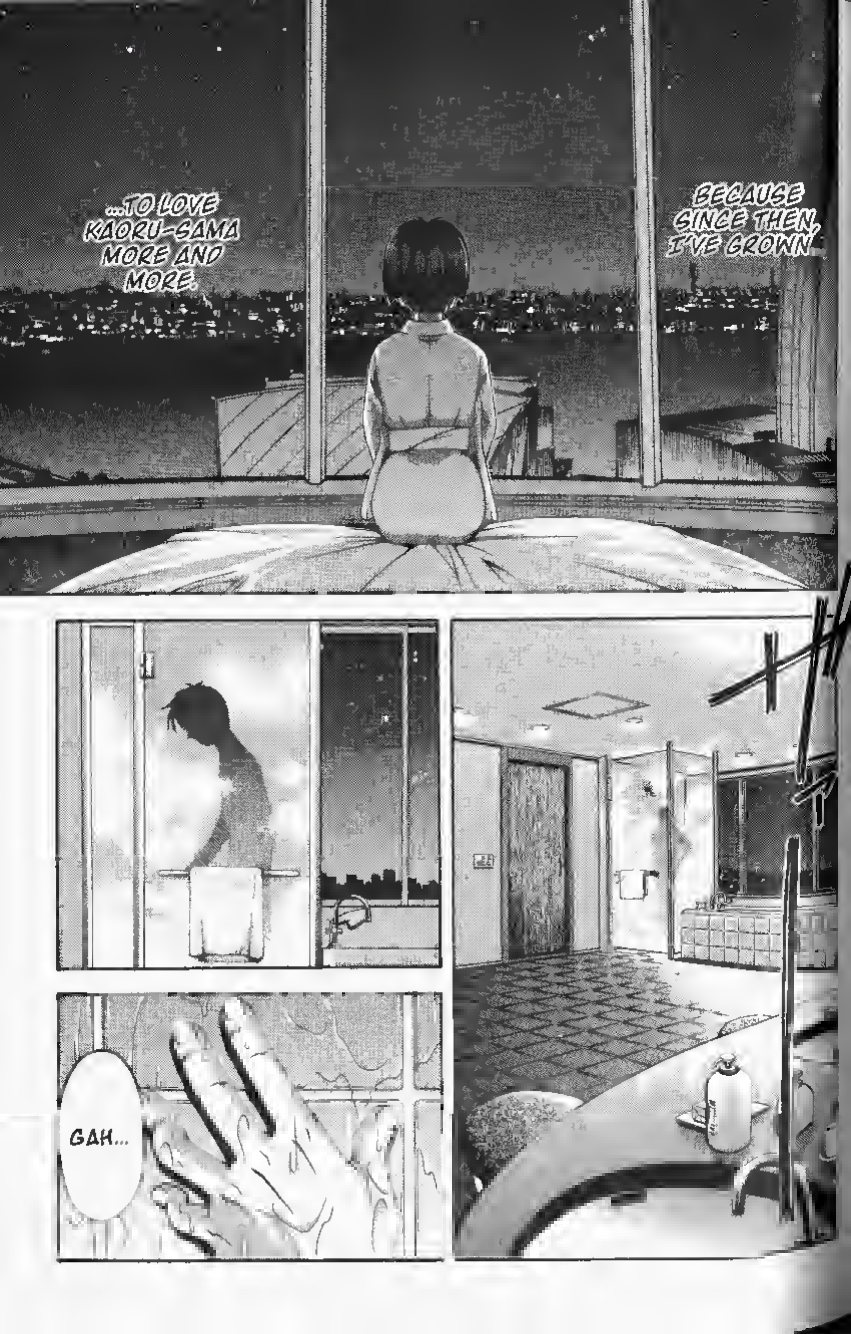


MY HEART'S BEATING SO HARD, MY CHEST HURTS.
OH, IT'S NO USE...

I HAVEN'T HAD SO MANY BUTTERFLIES IN MY STOMACH SINCE THAT DAY...
...NO, IT'S BEATING MUCH HARDER THAN IT DID THEN.


...TO LOVE KAORU-SAMA MORE AND MORE.
BECAUSE SINCE THEN, I'VE GROWN...
GAH...

..TO THINK MY BACK OULD START HURTING SO MUCH AGAIN ON TONIGHT OF ALL NIGHTS.
I SEE...
ALL RIGHT. I'LL ALLOW AOI-SAMA TO SPEND THE NIGHT OUT WITH YOU, KAORU-DONO.

I KNEW THIS DAY WOULD COME EVENTUALLY.
REALLY?!
THAT'S GREAT..
BUT BEFORE I SAY YES...
...THERE IS SOMETHING I HAVE TO DISCUSS WITH YOU, KAORU-DONO

IT'S BEEN SUGGESTED THAT MAYBE AOI-SAMA SHOULD'VE BECOME ENGAGED TO SOMEONE ELSE
YOU REMEMBER, DON'T YOU?
!!
YES...
SINCE THE CONFRONTATION...
AOI-SAMA'S FATHER HAS FINALLY STARTED TO UNDERSTAND THAT HER MIND
WILL NOT BE CHANGED.

EVEN SO, THAT DOESN'T MEAN THAT HE ACCEPTS EVERYTHING ABOUT THIS LIVING ARRANGE-MENT
.....
KAORU-OONO...
RIGHT NOW, I HAVE TWO ORDERS FROM THE SAKURABA FAMILY.
THE FIRST IS TO PROTECT AOI-SAMA
AND THE SECOND...

...IS TO EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITY OF RE-STORING...
...KAORU HANABISHI AS HEAD OF THE HANABISHI HOUSEHOLD.

I, MIYABI KAGURA-ZAKI...
...WILL NEVER ASK ANYTHING OF YOU EVER AGAIN.
BUT, PLEASE, FOR AOI-SAMA'S SAKE...
...WON'T YOU GO BACK TO THE HANABISHI?
BUT...
THAT'S...
KAORU-DONO, THERE'S NO MORE TIME!

THE SAKURABA NO LONGER WISH TO KEEP THIS ESTATE, AND THEY'RE GOING TO EVENTUALLY TEAR IT DOWN.
PLEASE...
KAORU-DONO, PLEASE...

O-DON'T, KAORU-SAMA!
WHAT'S WRONG, AOI-CHAN? THE LIGHTS--
PLEASE...
DON'T TURN ON THE LIGHTS
AOI... AOI-CHAN?!

I-I'M SORRY FOR SOME REASON, I'M N-NERVOUS..
AOI-CHAN..
ACTUALLY, I'VE BEEN FEELING PRETTY NERVOUS MYSELF

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MM...
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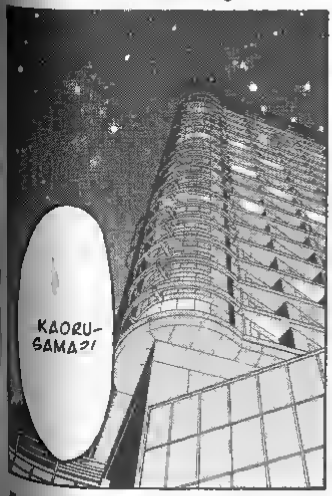
KAORU-SAMA!
KAORU-SAMA!
KAORU-SAMA!
AOI-CHAN...
...AH...
SO THIS IS...A MAN?
AOI-CHAN!

KAORU!!
YOU FAIL TO GRASP THE SERIOUSNESS OF YOUR POSITION!
YOU'RE THE HANABISHI FAMILY HEIR!!
WON'T YOU GO BACK TO THE HANABISHI?

PLEASE, STOP!
STOP!
WON'T YOU...
...GO BACK TO THE HANABISHI?



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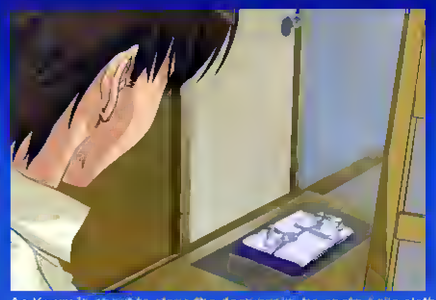
TEARS & MEMORY

Aoi-chan thinking how happy she is that Kaoru didn't leave the Hanabishi because he hated her

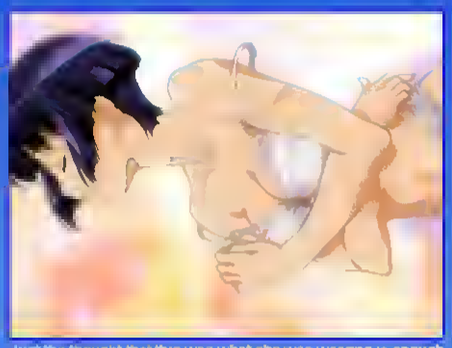
With this relief starts to come some tears, then more of them as she realizes just how much the thought had upset her

While laying out a futon, Kaoru hears the sound of Aoi's tears

Worried, he peeks in, asking if anything's wrong. With a somewhat weak voice, Aoi's voice answers that's she's fine



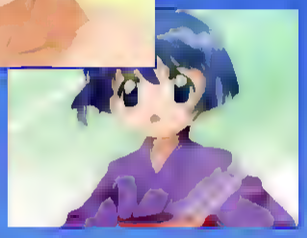
As Kaoru is about to close the door again, he spots Aoi's clothes neatly folded. The lacy underwear particularly catches his eye



Just the thought that this was what she was wearing is enough for Kaoru to imagine what she probably looks like in such sexy underwear. Wow! (Kaoru is a normal, healthy male, after all.)

Deepening blush. The thought that such a beautiful girl is in his bathroom is enough to excite him.

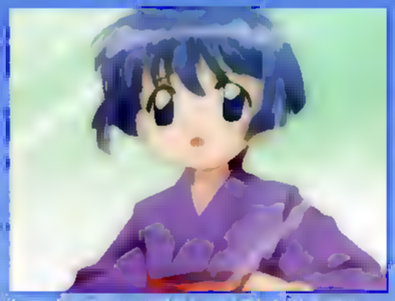
Meanwhile, for Aoi-chan, she's just glad that she got to see Kaoru again, even if the future is a cloudy one right now. Tears continue to fall as memories well up from her past



Aoi remembering. Her young self playing outside

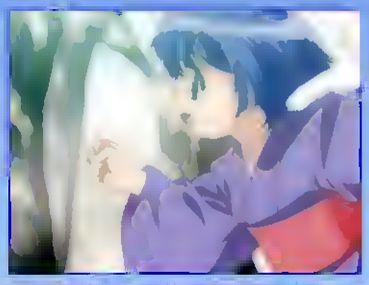
...very you ...laughi...

...faster, gaining ...head



Aoi, no... ...frustra...

Suddenly, she... ...waiting for a y...



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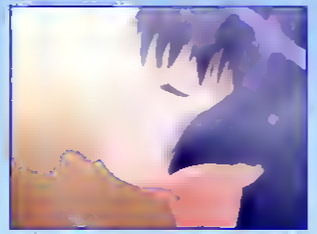
An... ...nt in the shower now

Aoi-chan is humming a gentle tune to herself.



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IIYABI-SAN...
THAT'S WHY I THOUGHT IT WOULD BE ALL RIGHT FOR THE TWO OF YOU TO SPEND THE NIGHT TOGETHER.
BUT...
I WAS ALSO HAPPY FOR HER...
HAVING WATCHED AOI-SAMA GROW UP SINCE SHE WAS A SMALL CHILD, IT WASN'T AN EASY DECISION FOR ME TO MAKE.
...AOI-SAMA HAS FOCUSED ALL OF HER THOUGHTS ON YOU, KAORU-DONO.
...BECAUSE I KNOW JUST HOW LONG...

EVEN SO, KAORU-DONO...
...WE DON'T HAVE MUCH TIME LEFT HERE.
I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU PLAN ON DOING ABOUT YOUR FUTURE WITH AOI...
...BUT YOUR FATE IS ENTIRELY UP TO YOU.
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KAORU-SAMA!
IS SOME-THING THE MATTER?
OH, I KNOW.
I HAVEN'T STARTED DINNER YET!
I'M SORRY. I'LL GET EVERYTHING GOING RIGHT AWA--
WAIT, AOI-CHAN!!
AH!!

AOI-CHAN, YOU'VE HELD ME CLOSE TO YOUR HEART...
...FOR EIGHTEEN LONG YEARS, HAVEN'T YOU?

EVEN WHEN I LEFT THE HANABISHI...
...YOU'VE ALWAYS THOUGHT OF ME, WITHOUT FAIL, WITHOUT FORGETTING A THING.
#12
KAORU-SAMA...
WHEN I...
...WAS WITH THE HANA-BISHI..
...I WONDERED EVERY DAY...

I NEVER THOUGHT OF ANY-ONE BUT MYSELF...
"WHY AM I THE ONLY ONE WHO HAS TO BE SO ALONE, PLAGUED BY PAINFUL THOUGHTS AND MEMORIES?"
...BUT I SHOULD HAVE. WHEN I STAYED AWAY FROM YOU FOR SO LONG...
...I MADE YOUR EVERY DAY AS PAINFUL AND LONELY AS MY OWN, DIDN'T I?

..I WILL ALWAYS THINK OF YOU AND YOU ONLY, AOI-CHAN.
I PROMISE, FROM NOW ON...
KAORU...
...SAMA

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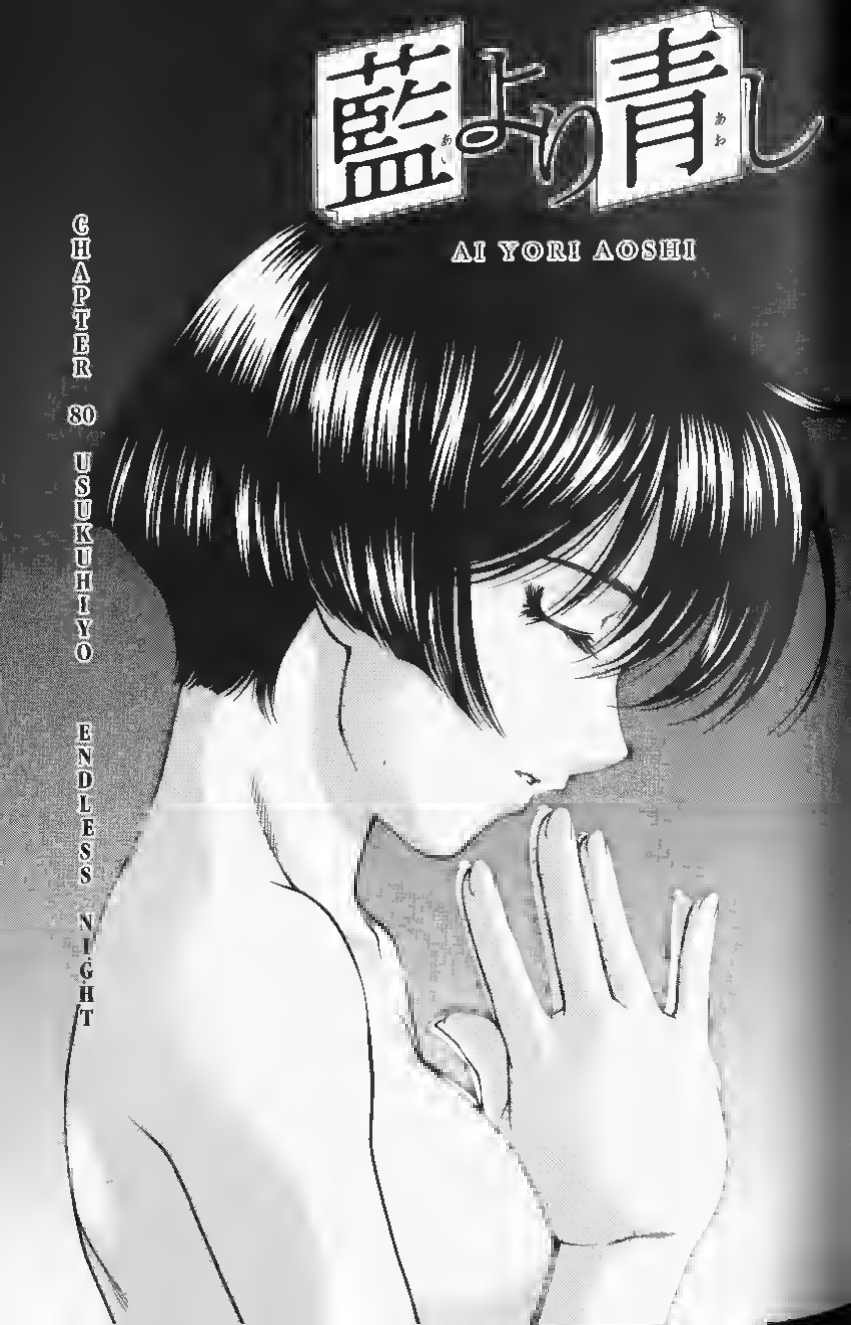
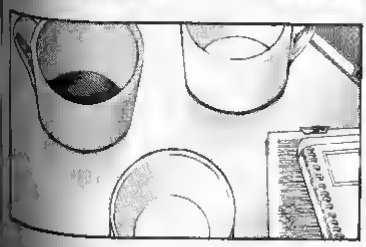
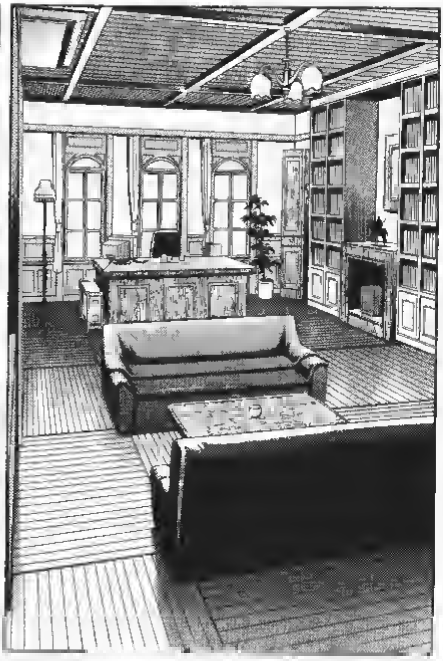
CHAPTER 80 USUKUHIYO ENDLESS NIGHT







WELCOME HOME, AOI-SAMA.
I'M BACK, MIYABI-SAN.
ピンポーン
WHERE IS HE, BY THE WAY?
IT'S ALL RIGHT. I APPRECIATED KAORU-OONO CALLING TO CHECK IN.
I'M SORRY WE DION'T GIVE YOU MORE WARNING.
...HE WENT STRAIGHT TO HIS ROOM.
I THINK

UM, IS IT ALL RIGHT IF I GO UPSTAIRS AND REST?
O-OF COURSE.
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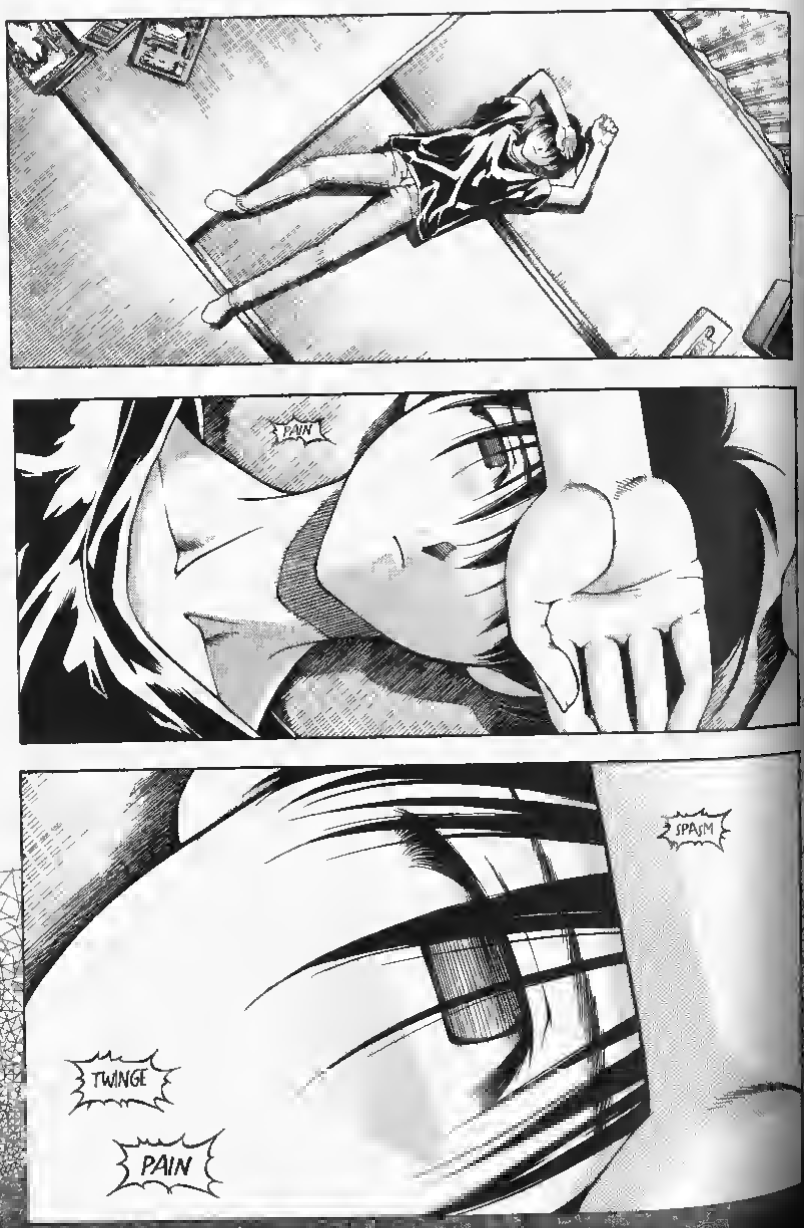
PAIN
SPASM
TWINGE
PAIN

...AOI-CHAN...
PAIN
PAIN

KAORU... SAMA?!
I'M SORRY...
...AOI-CHAN.

IF I WANT TO BE WITH AOI-CHAN...
...DO I REALLY HAVE TO GO BACK TO MY FAMILY?!
IF I DON'T, AND IF AOI-CHAN STAYS WITH ME...
...SHE'D HAVE TO LEAVE HER HOME THE WAY I DID...
...AND BE TOTALLY SEPARATED FROM HER LOVED ONES.

...I'LL END UP HURTING AOI-CHAN IN THE END.
IF I REMAIN SO STUBBORN...
...IS SOMETHING THAT TAKES A GREAT DEAL OF COURAGE.
TO HOLD ONE SPECIAL PERSON IN YOUR HEART...
PAIN
...CARE FOR KAORU-SAMA AND KAORU-SAMA ONLY, FOR EVER AND EVER.
THAT'S WHY AOI HAS BEEN ABLE TO...

KAORU-DONO, MAY I COME IN?!
KAORU-DONO...

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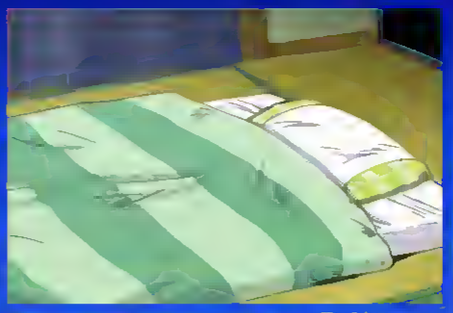
BEDTIME

A quiet night at the apartment.



The futon.

When she asks where his futon is, he tells her he only has one Aoi-chan is startled a little.

[illegible] es out of the shower, Kaoru is amazed again how cute Aoi-chan is. He tells her he's laid out a futon for her [illegible] can slee[illegible] in tonight

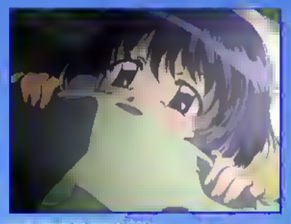
[illegible] to protest, saying [illegible] but Kaoru tells her it's [illegible]

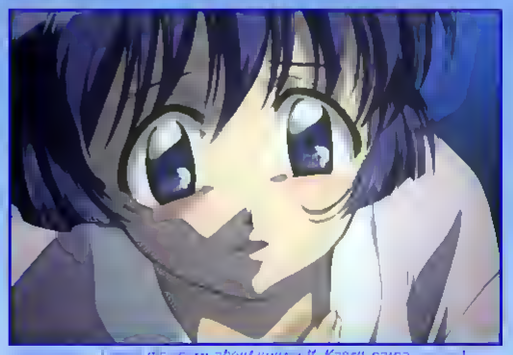
[illegible] p anywhere [illegible] pillow will do for him [illegible] protest some more, saying it's not good for him, but Kaoru insists [illegible] fine.

Well, then, Kaoru-sama, if you are fine with it, she finally suggests with a shy blush, *I do not mind sleeping together with you. I-I do not mind at all.*

Eh?! Kaoru blushes. He's startled at her suggestion. While the idea certainly attracts him (he's a man, after all), he knows it's not a good

You don't have to worry about me, he tells her somewhat loudly, *so get to sleep soon!*





[illegible] re about yours[illegible] Kaoru says [illegible]

Un[illegible] help [illegible]

[illegible] hurry [illegible]

[illegible] that is about [illegible] sleep. She [illegible] have been out [illegible]

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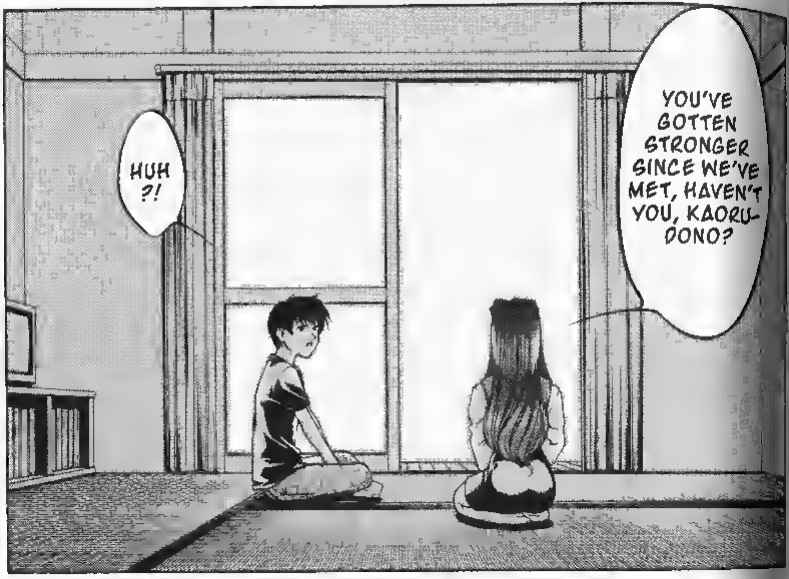
YOU'VE GOTTEN STRONGER SINCE WE'VE MET, HAVEN'T YOU, KAORU-DONO?
HUH ?!

...I'VE SEEN FIRSTHAND JUST HOW MUCH...
...YOU CARE FOR AOI-SAMA.

COMING TO LIVE HERE...

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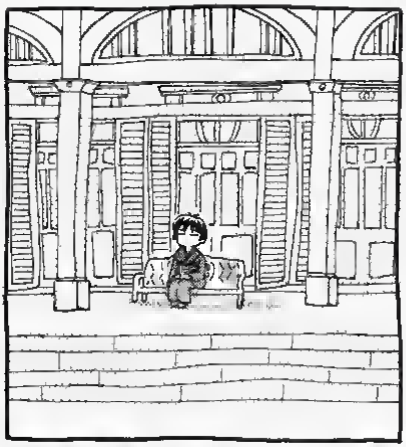

Ai-Ao Theatre, part 21:

Sadness

*SCANNER'S NOTE
PRESUMABLY THIS REFERS TO THE FACT THAT THE ANIME SERIES ENDED AT THIS POINT, EVEN THOUGH IT ENDED AFTER TWO SEASONS, THE ACTUAL MANGA STORY CONTINUES PAST THIS POINT THROUGH EIGHT MORE VOLUMES, SO THERE'S MUCH MORE STORY TO COME! (AS YOU WILL SEE WITH THE FOLLOWING CHAPTERS, WHICH START TAKING A DARKER TURN FOR KAORU & AOI-CHAN.)

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CHAPTER 81 UKIFUNE BOAT

Maybe he didn't hear us?
HUH?!
SENDAAAI!
AH!!
KAORU --!
HEY!
YAAAHH!!
SENPAI, DO YOU WANT TO GO HOME WITH US?
REALLY?
I COULON'T GET YOUR ATTENTION ANY OTHER WAY
OH, IT'S YOU, TINA DON'T SCARE ME LIKE THAT

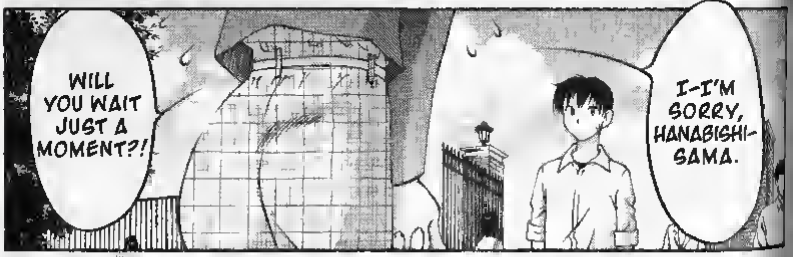
LATER...
HMM...NO, NOT TODAY...
I WONDER IF SOMETHING HAPPENED TO HIM.
HE SEEMS LIKE HE'S HAD A LOT ON HIS MIND LATELY.
YEAH, NOW THAT YOU MENTION IT...
MAYBE HE'S STILL AFFLICTED WITH THE SUMMER-VACATION HAZE!
YOU'RE THINKING OF YOURSELF, TINA-SENPAI.

MAYU-CHAN!
HANABISHI-SAMA!!
ARE YOU GOING HOME NOW?!
.....
YEAH..

WILL YOU GO ON A DATE WITH ME RIGHT NOW?!
HANABISHI-SAMA!!
EH? NOW?!
BEAR WITNESS TO MAYU'S YEARNING!
WHAT'S WRONG WITH NOW?

HMM...
WELL ...
THAT IS--

WELL, IF YOU INSIST LIKE THAT
IS THERE SOME-WHERE YOU WANT TO GO ?!
UH, UM, LET'S SEE...


WILL YOU WAIT JUST A MOMENT?!
I-I'M SORRY, HANABISHI-SAMA.

I HAVE TO THINK CAREFULLY. THIS IS GOING TO BE MAYU'S FIRST TIME ON A DATE.

WHERE DO PEOPLE LIKE TO GO WHEN THEY'RE DATING ?!
HUH ?!
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WHERE DO PEOPLE GO ON D-D-DATES ?!
YES, MISS ?
HEY, SAIONJI!
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A DATE, YOU SAY...?
You've dated before right?
HIP AND EXCITING LOVE SPOTS!!

I'M SORRY I MADE YOU WAIT, HANABISHI-SAMA!!
STRIKE
STRIKE FESTIVAL
STRIKE
BOWLING?!
YES!
WOW, I DIDN'T KNOW YOU BOWLED, MAYU-CHAN.
I DON'T THIS IS MY FIRST TIME!
EH?! IT'S YOUR FIRST TIME?
BUT IT SHOULD BE AS EASY AS ROLLING A BALL.
SEEING MAYU IN ACTION WILL LET HANABISHI-SAMA APPRECIATE HER LOVELY FORM.

--GH, HEAVY !!
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S-SAIONJI, ISN'T THERE A LIGHTER BALL?!!
THAT IS THE LIGHTEST.
UNNNGH...
MEMBERS CARD
STRIKE
TAKE THAT!!

BOWLING IS FAR MORE INTENSE THAN I IMAGINED.
MAYU-CHAN, YOUR BALL HASN'T EVEN REACHED THE PINS YET.

YOU REALLY CAN'T HAVE A DATE WITHOUT A BOAT RIDE.
HANA-BISHI-SAMA, MAY I JOIN YOU ON THAT SIDE?
EH? IS THAT SAFE?!
BUT IF I'M SITTING OVER HERE, I CAN'T COME ON TO HIM.

YIKES! THAT WAS SCARY..

H-HEY, BE CAREFUL, MAYU-CHAN!!
I CAN HANDLE THIS MU-MU-WAHHHH !!

...HANABISHI-SAMA?
UM...

...BEING WITH MAYU TODAY?!
DID YOU HAVE FUN...

EH?!
...DID IT CHEER YOU UP A LITTLE?!
DID YOU...
...THAT IS...
...YOU'VE SEEMED DEPRESSED
IT'S JUST THAT RECENTLY, HANABISHI-SAMA...
THAT'S WHY MAYU-CHAN...
I GET IT NOW.

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THANKS, MAYU-CHAN.
I'M SORRY I WORRIED YOU.
I'M GLAD IT WASN'T FOR NOTHING?
MAYU CAN STILL MAKE HANABISHI-SAMA SMILE.

IT'S JUST LIKE HOW, WHEN WE WERE JUST KIDS...
...MAYU WAS CHEERED UP BY HANABISHI-SAMA.

HANABISHI-SAMA, WHAT SHOULD WE DO FOR DINNER?
WHAT KIND OF FOOD ARE YOU IN THE MOOD FOR?
HMM..
OH YEAH!!
I KNOW A GOOD PLACE WITH REALLY GREAT FOOD!
IF IT'S A PLACE YOU LIKE...
...THEN MAYU DEFINITELY WANTS TO TRY IT.

EVERYONE, I'M HOME!
WHA--?! THIS IS THE PLACE?
WELCOME, MAYU-SAN.
WELCOME BACK!
IT'S MORE FUN TO EAT WITH FRIENDS, ISN'T IT?

Giggle
IF YOU SAY SO...
...I GUESS IT IS.
Whaaaaa?!
HANABISHI-SAMA, THAT'S WHO! SO THERE!!
UGH. WHO LET YOU IN?
LOOK WHO'S HERE! MAYU-ONEE-CHAN!!
AOI-CHAN, WHAT'S FOR DINNER TONIGHT?!
TONIGHT, WE'RE HAVING ..

TONIGHT IS A FULL COURSE MEAL SHOWCASING TAEKO'S NEWEST CULINARY CREATIONS !!
FROM HERE ON OUT, MAYU WILL ALWAYS HOLD HANABISHI-SAMA CLOSE TO HER HEART...

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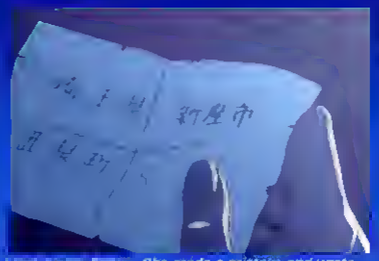
NIGHTWALK

Aoi-chan, asleep

Kaoru notices a slip of paper by Aoi's hand. It's the slip with his home address on it, almost.

Kaoru studies the n



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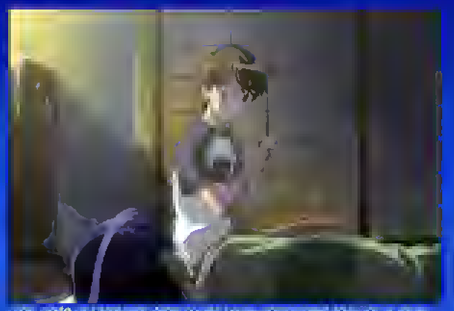

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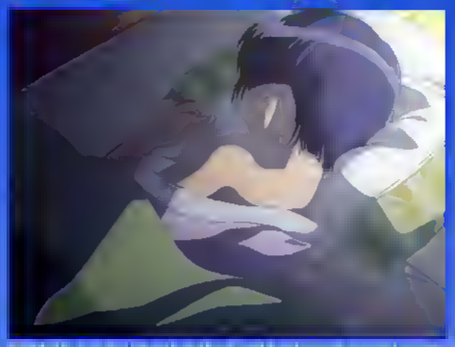

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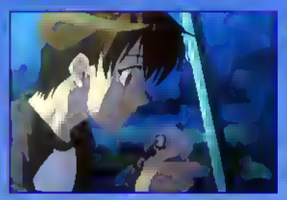

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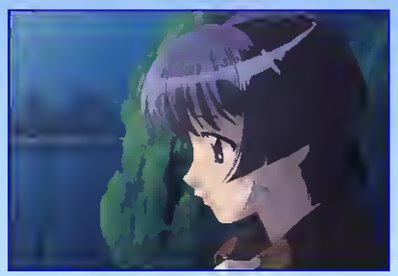

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KAORU-SAMA?!
KAORU-SAMA --?!
I WONDER WHERE HE'S GONE OFF TO?
HAVE EITHER OF YOU SEEN KAORU-SAMA?
KAORU ?!
NOT LATELY, BUT I SAW ONII-CHAN ON THE BALCONY EARLIER.

UM... KAORU-SAMA ...?
...DINNER IS ALMOST READY.
WOW! IT'S ALREADY DINNER-TIME? EXCELLENT ...

THANK YOU FOR ANOTHER LOVELY MEAL.
THAT WAS SOOOO GOOD...
Right to my hips
I MIGHT HAVE EATEN A BIT TOO MUCH.
WAS SOMETHING WRONG WITH YOURS?
OH! NO, I JUST WASN'T VERY HUNGRY.
I'LL HELP YOU CLEAN UP, THOUGH.
HUH ?!

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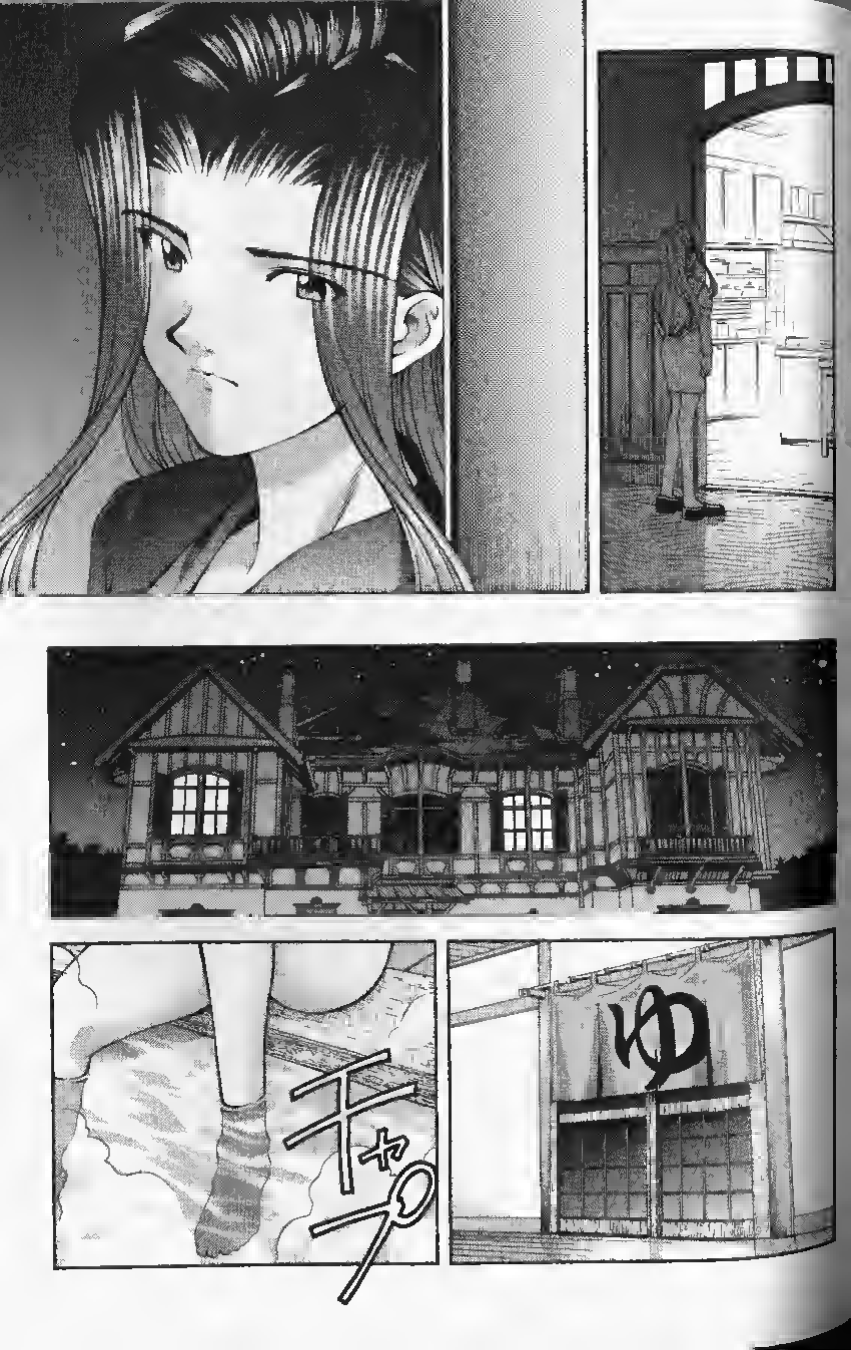
HAPPINESS...
HUH...
AOI-CHAN'S

SENPAI!!
A-ARE YOU ALL RIGHT, KAORU-SAMA?
I'M OKAY!!
SORRY. I SPACED OUT A SECOND.
I'LL CLEAN IT UP.
NO, LET ME. I DON'T WANT YOU TO GET HURT.
I WAS THE ONE WHO BROKE IT, AFTER ALL.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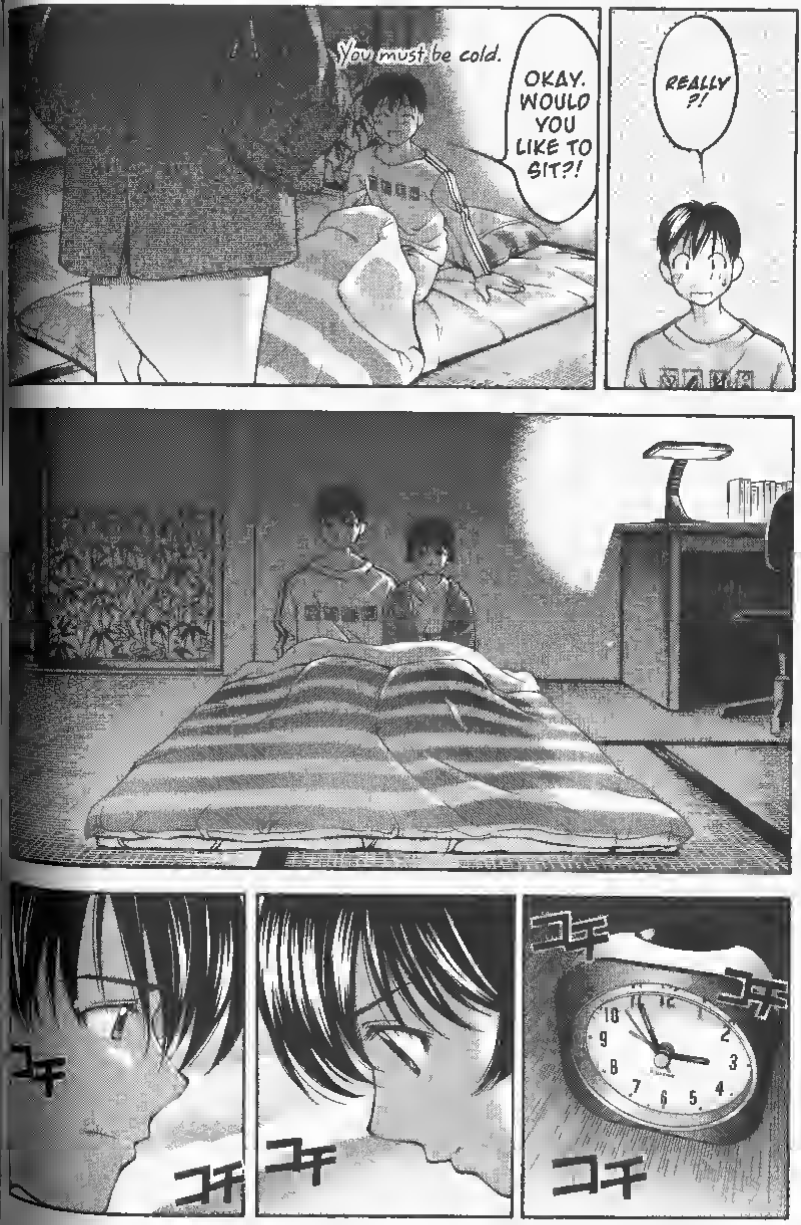
I WONDER WHAT'S BEEN BOTHERING KAORU-SAMA?
HE SEEMS TO BE BROODING ABOUT SOME-THING.

SINCE WE GOT BACK, SOME-HOW, KAORU-SAMA...
IT'S BEEN GOING ON EVER SINCE WE WENT TO THAT HOTEL.
I'M SORRY...

MAYBE I'LL SIMPLY ASK KAORU-SAMA DIRECTLY.
WHAT SHOULD I DO ...?
BUT IS IT EVEN MY PLACE TO ASK HIM?

UM, KAORU-SAMA, ARE YOU AWAKE ?!
AOI-CHAN!
IS SOME-THING WRONG ?!
UH, UM... WELL, YOU SEE...
I-IT'S NOTHING LIKE THAT, BUT...
...I'VE GOTTEN..
...UM, JUST A LITTLE LONELY.
MAY I STAY WITH YOU?


You must be cold.
OKAY. WOULD YOU LIKE TO SIT?!
REALLY?!
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AM I SCARED BECAUSE I'M WORRIED I DID SOME-THING WRONG?
WHAT SHOULD I DO...?
UM.. KAORU-SAMA?
YEAH ?
AOI-CHAN...
WHAT'S UP?!
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DON'T YOU?
...LIKE AOI..
YOU STILL
UH, UM...
KAORU-SAMA

YOU STILL LIKE ME?
OR HAVE YOU STOPPED?
WHAT?!
AOI-CHAN...
OF COURSE I LIKE YOU!

AOI LIKES YOU, TOO.

I LOVE YOU, KAORU-SAMA.
HE SAID WHAT I WANTED TO HEAR...
...SO WHY DO I FEEL SO UNEASY?

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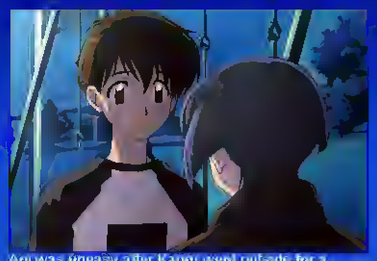


Aoi was uneasy after Kaoru went outside for a walk. Kaoru says to her: ***Aoi-chan, it's all right. That apartment is my home, so there is no way I'd disappear from it.***

Oh. ***That is true.*** She answers in much relief.

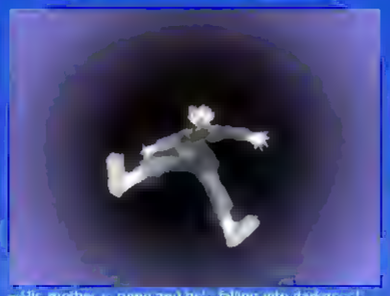
Aoi, embarrassed at behaving [illegible] ***I am so ...***

[illegible]

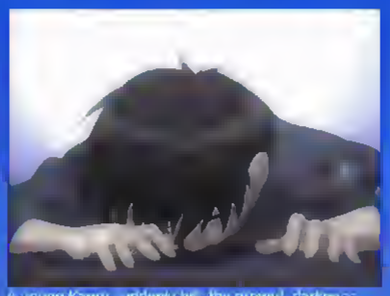
In a dream, later. A young Kaoru in the lap of his mother. She is singing a gentle song to him. It's the same song that Aoi-chan was humming.

Kaoru's mother is looking down at him with a warm, gentle expression. As she continues to sing, the love she has for him is clear in her smile.

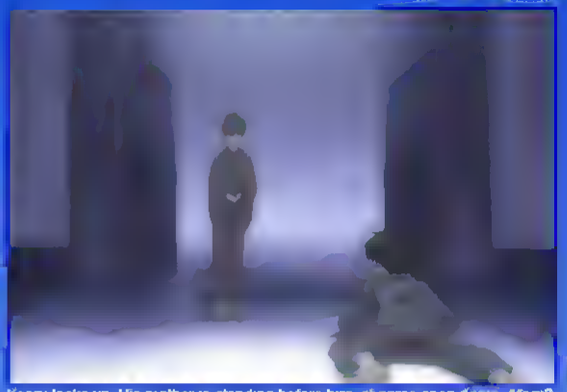
SUDDENLY...



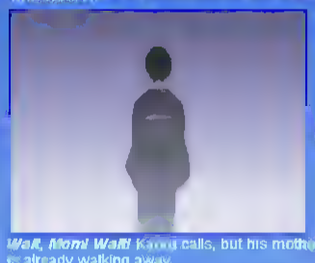
His mother is gone and he's falling into darkness! A young Kaoru wails in fright!



A young Kaoru suddenly hit[s] the ground. darkness all around him



Kaoru looks up. His mother is standing before him, at some open doors. ***Mom?*** he calls. ***I'm sorry, Kaoru,*** she says. ***I can't stay in this house any longer. Take care of yourself. Be a good boy.***

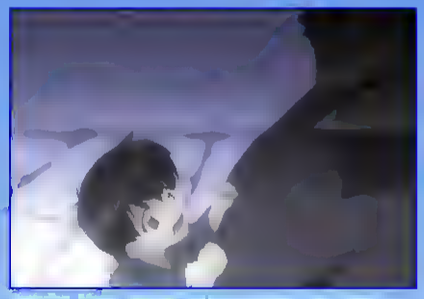


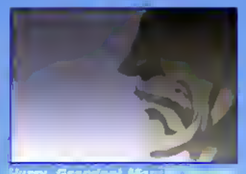
Wait, Mom! Wait! Kaoru calls, but his mother is already walking away.

Don't leave me here [illegible]ing Kaoru wails

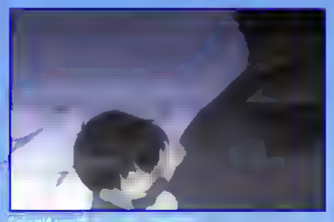
Kaoru trips and falls

Behind [illegible] a [illegible] draft[illegible]





Hurry, Grandpa! Mom [illegible]ou begs.

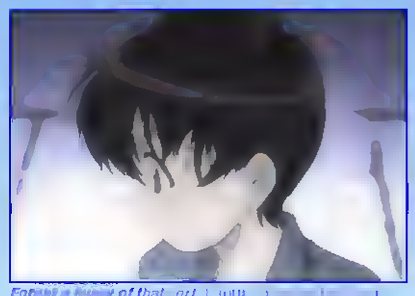


I don't w[illegible]

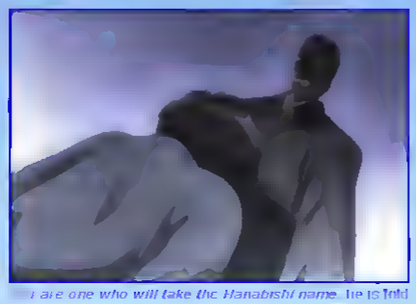
Hard face

[illegible] raised [illegible]

[illegible]ndfath[illegible]er Kaoru [illegible]



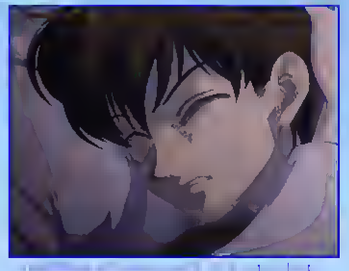
Forget a thing of that sort. [illegible] coldly. Kaoru's face [illegible] from the [illegible]



I are one who will take the Hanabishi name. he is told. ou answers: ***I don't know.***

Then Kaoru [illegible] ***I get any of it*** [illegible] grandfather [illegible] ...iden in rage

The hand raise[illegible] of repeated shuke



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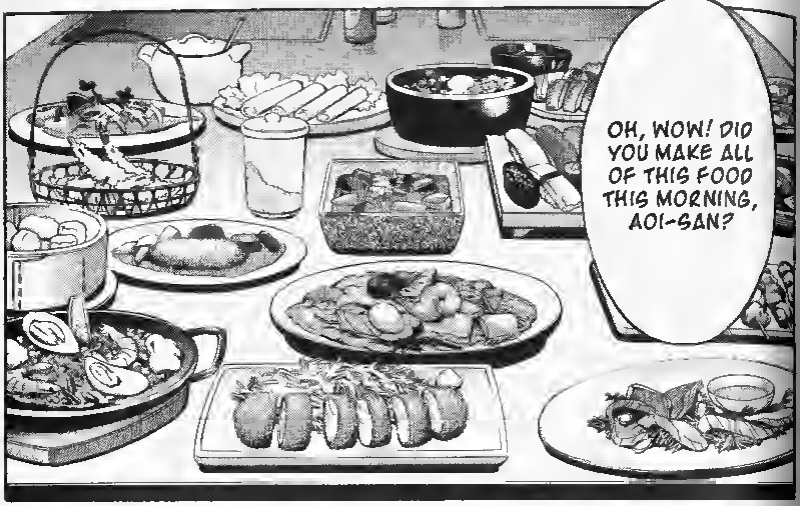
GOOD MORNING, TAEKO-CHAN
GOOD MORNING, AOI-SAN.
YOU'RE UP EARLIER THAN USUAL.
YES... FOR SOME REASON, I HAD AN IRRESISTIBLE URGE TO COOK.


OH, WOW! DID YOU MAKE ALL OF THIS FOOD THIS MORNING, AOI-SAN?

.....
I THINK I MAY HAVE GONE A LITTLE OVER-BOARD.

GOOD MORNING, MIYABI-SAN.

OH...GOOD MORNING.
I MADE SOME CHOCOLATE CAKE
PLEASE HELP YOURSELF TO A PIECE.
UM, AOI-SAMA ...
YES ?
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT? YOU DIDN'T SLEEP VERY MUCH LAST NIGHT...

I'M PERFECTLY FINE.
I JUST HAVE A LOT OF ENERGY AND WANT TO KEEP MOVING.
OH, AOI-SAMA...
TINA-SAAAN, CHIKA-SAAAN!
BREAK-FAST IS READY!

MORNING, AOI-ONEE-CHAN..
YOU'RE A LITTLE TOO PEPPY FOR THIS EARLY IN THE MORNING, LANDLADY-SAN.
.....
WHAT'S WRONG, AOI-ONEE-CHAN?
N-N-NOTHING. NOTHING AT ALL.

KAORU-SAMA?!
KAORU-SAMA, BREAK-FAST IS--
KAORU-SAMA...

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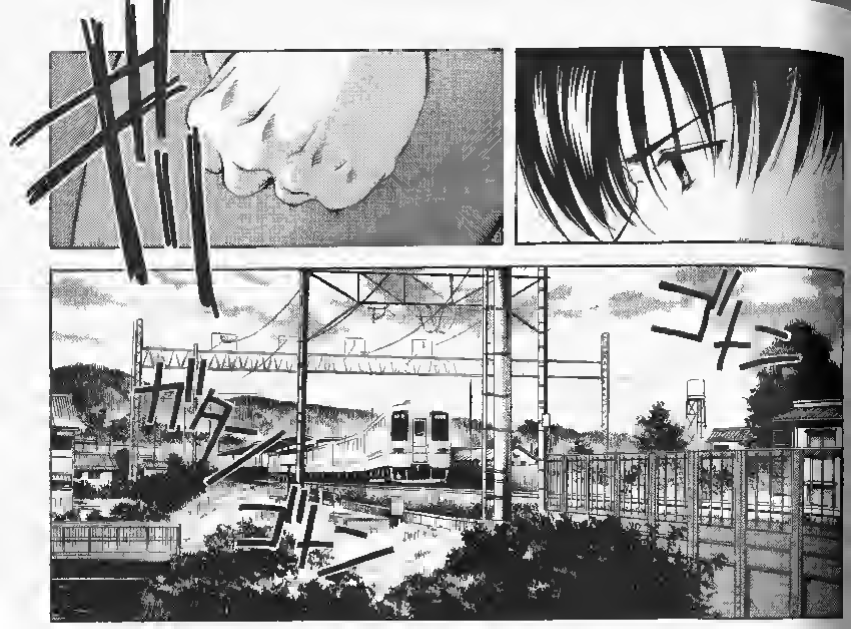
AOI-CHAN, I WANT...
...TO MAKE YOU HAPPY.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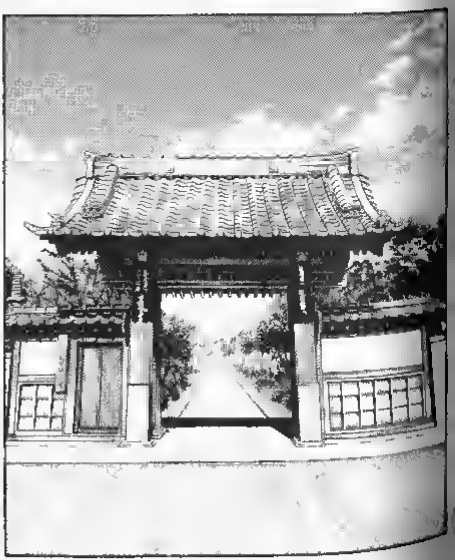

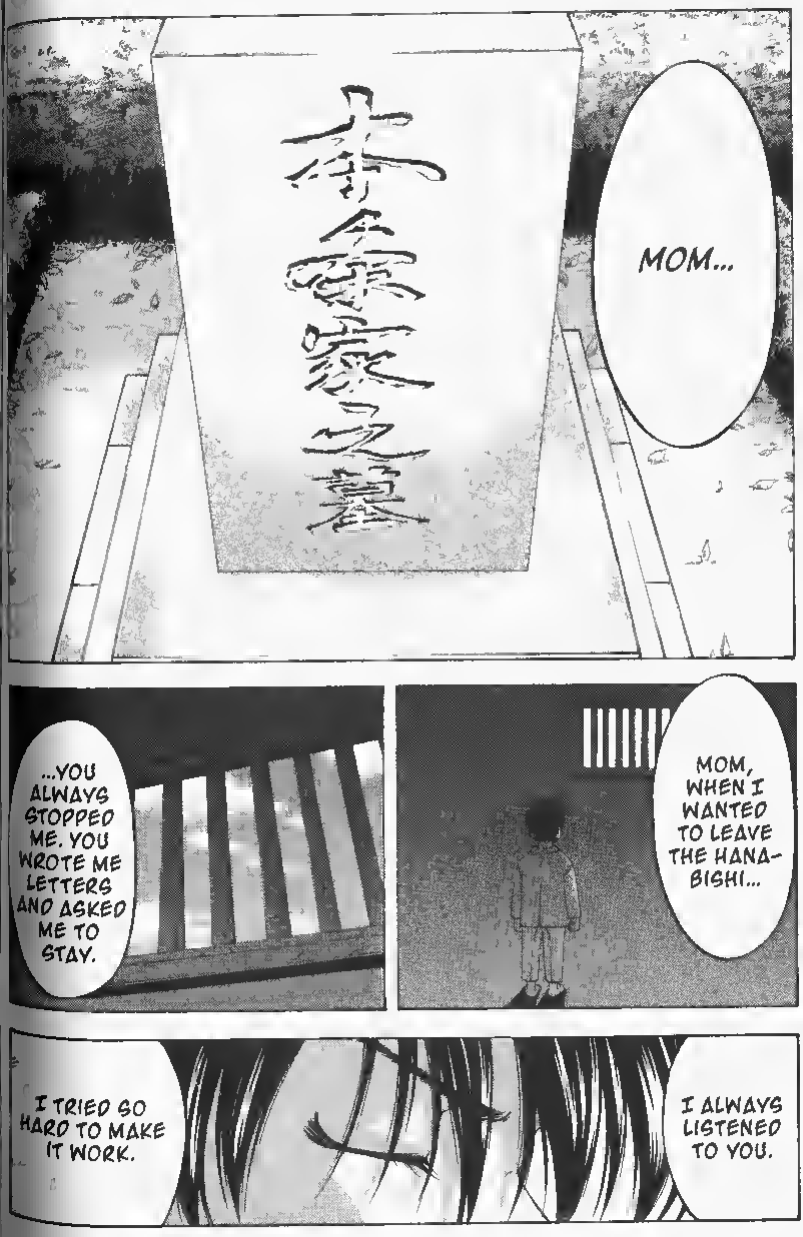
MOM...
...YOU ALWAYS STOPPED ME. YOU WROTE ME LETTERS AND ASKED ME TO STAY.
MOM, WHEN I WANTED TO LEAVE THE HANA-BISHI...
I TRIED SO HARD TO MAKE IT WORK.
I ALWAYS LISTENED TO YOU.

ONCE I RECEIVED THE NEWS THAT YOU HAD PASSED AWAY...
...I COULON'T ENDURE BEING WITH THOSE PEOPLE ANY LONGER.
BUT...
...IT'S LIKE YOU SAID, MOM...
...
I SHOULD HAVE STAYED WITH THE HANABISHI. THEY'RE MY FAMILY.

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THANK YOU, MIYABI-SAN!
.....

I THOUGHT YOU MIGHT BE HERE.
KAORU-SAMA!!
I WANT TO MAKE AOI-CHAN HAPPY...
...SO I'M THINKING OF GOING BACK TO THE HANABISHI.

I'VE THOUGHT ABOUT IT FOR A LONG TIME. AOI-CHAN HAS BEEN WORKING HARD TO MAKE THINGS GO THE WAY I WANT THEM TO.
EH ?!
BUT I...
HAVEN'T DONE MY PART TO MATCH HER DEVOTION.

BUT...
I'VE ONLY INDULGED HALF-BAKED FEELINGS...
...AND THAT'S NOT ENOUGH FOR AOI-CHAN, NOT FOR THE HAPPINESS SHE DESERVES.
BUT...
...KAORU-SAMA!
IF AOI-CHAN IS HAPPY...
YOU CAN'T...
NO, KAORU-SAMA, NO...!
I...
NOT FOR ME...
NO...!

STOP IT!!

AOI-SAMA!!
AOI-CHAN?!
KAORU-SAMA...
DON'T.

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EMBRACE

Kaoru's tears, a remnant of his nightmare as he wakes up.

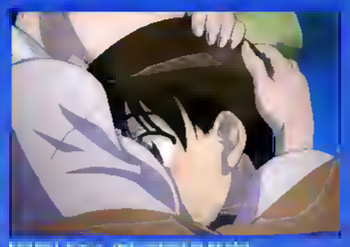
Damn, that dream again, he thinks to himself, angry about it.

Then he realizes something is strange. *W-What?*

Kaoru realizes he's in [illegible]
His face is right in Aoi-chan's bosom

W-Why is Shirahan in the same futon? he thinks to himself.

I have to re[illegible]



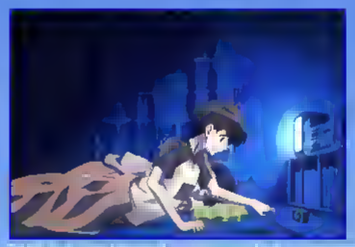
[illegible] *get*

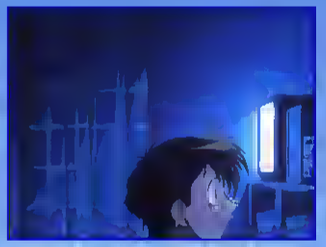
[illegible], he realizes

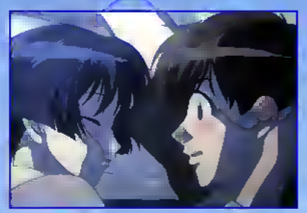
away a bit. *Woah...*
that[illegible]staring at her. *She's too cute!*

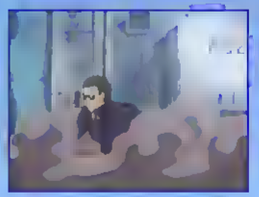
the [illegible]

from this somehow! he tells himself









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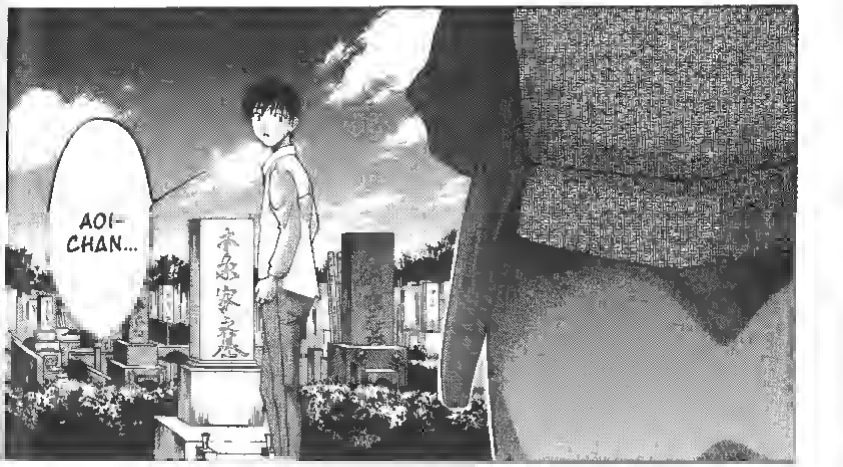
IT'S TOO MUCH TO ASK OF YOU. AOI DOESN'T WANT HAPPINESS THAT WAY


AOI-CHAN...

KAORU-
SAMA!!

WHAT'S HAPPENING?!
WHY DIDN'T YOU TELL ME ABOUT THIS, KAORU-SAMA?
JUST BEING NEXT TO YOU, KAORU-SAMA..
...JUST BEING NEAR TO YOU...
...IS HAPPINESS ENOUGH.

AOI COULD NEVER BE HAPPY IF YOU WERE SUFFERING BECAUSE OF HER...
I WOULD HATE THAT MORE THAN ANYTHING!
I'M SORRY, AOI-CHAN...
OH, AOI-SAMA...

...BUT IT'S DECIDED. I'M REJOINING THE HANABISHI.
KAORU-DONO
EH?!

I HAVE TO DO THIS.
IT'S THE ONLY WAY I CAN BE WITH YOU, AOI-CHAN.
IT'S FOR BOTH OF US.
I CAN'T ENTER MY FUTURE...
...UNTIL I'VE CONFRONTED MY PAST.

I'VE MADE UP MY MIND TO ONCE MORE...
...BE A TRUE MEMBER OF THE HANABISHI FAMILY.

JUST GET OVER HERE!!
NN?! WHAT IS IT, TINA?
KAORU, KAORU, OVER HERE!
I'M HOME.
WELCOME, KAORU...
YIKES! WHAT IS ALL THIS?!

COME ON, TINA, WHAT ARE YOU TRYING TO PULL?
IT'S OKAY. HERE, DRINK, DRINK!
WHEN LIFE STARTS GETTING YOU DOWN...
...DRINK UP AND FORGET ALL ABOUT IT.
IF SOMETHING IS HURTING YOU...
...I'LL GIVE YOU THE VERY BREAST I HAVE TO OFFER.
UM... TINA?

SENPAI!!
TAEKO-CHAN?!
EH?!
SENPAI, PLEASE CHOOSE ONE OF THESE!!
UHHH...
AHHA! I KNEW IT!!
I SHOULD HAVE SEEN THE SIGNS. YOUR RESERVOIR OF LUCK HAS GONE DOWN!!
WHAA--?!

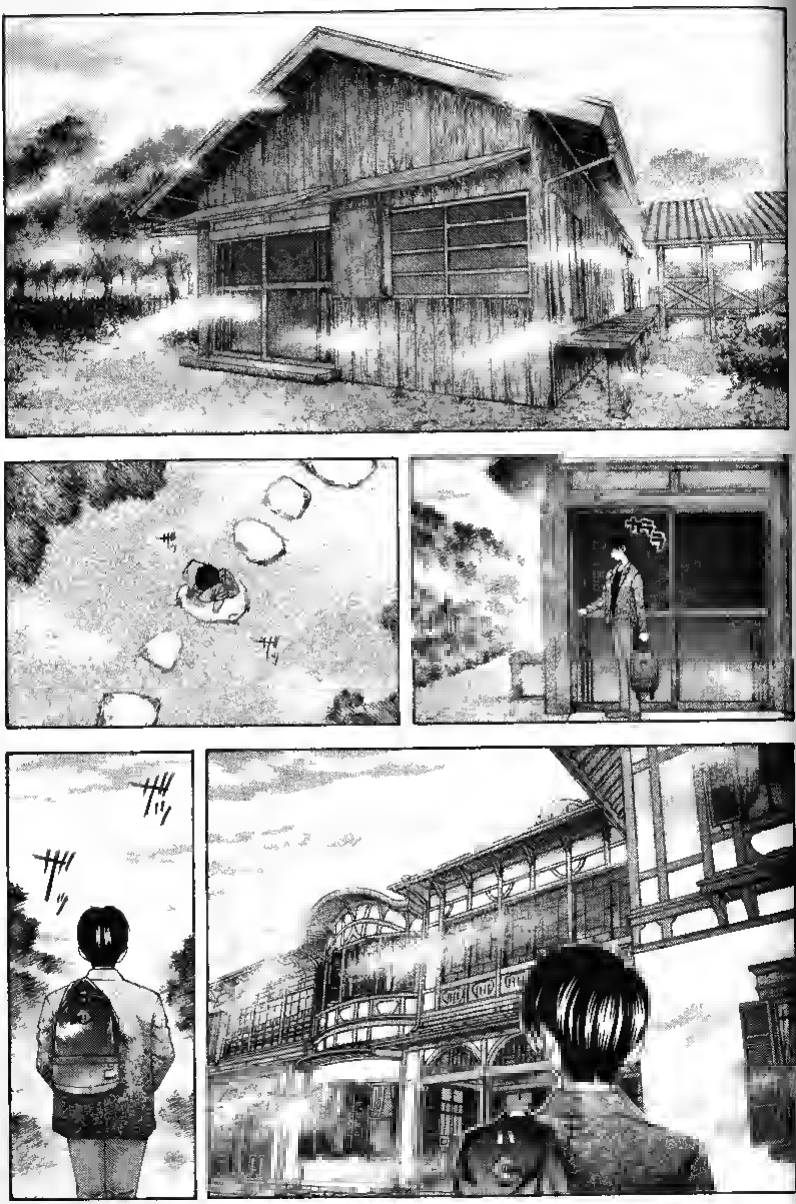
LEAVE EVERYTHING TO ME! I'LL USE EXORCISM TO BANISH THE SHADOWS HANGING OVER YOU...
WH-WHAT THE--?!
TAE-NEECHAN, YOU'RE WRONG!!
THE SOLUTION IS MUCH SIMPLER. ONII-CHAN IS JUST TIRED!!

BECAUSE WHILE ONII-CHAN WAS DOING HIS OWN STUDYING, HE ALSO HELPED CHIKA WITH HERS.
SO, CHIKA WILL HELP ONII-CHAN FEEL MORE RELAXED!!
UWA!!
NEVER MIND! CHIKA WILL FIX IT!!
ONII-CHAN, YOU'RE REALLY STIFF HERE...
WUH-OH! NO, NO!!
OOF!
OOF!

ARE YOU OKAY, CHIKA-CHAN?!
OWIE
M-MY LEG CRAMPED
OW-OW OWOW OW!!
OOOH
HERE?!
HUNYAAHH...
THAT FEELS GOOD...

HUH ?!
TINA-ONEECHAN AND TAE-NEECHAN BOTH WANTED TO CHEER ONII-CHAN UP...
B-BUT.. IT WAS HIM!
HOW DID THIS TURN INTO A MASSAGE FOR YOU, CHIKARIN?
CHIKA-CHAN, IT RUINS THE SURPRISE WHEN YOU TELL HIM ABOUT IT.
AH! HA HA HA HA!
REALLY ?!
IT'S OKAY. I'M ALL RIGHT NOW.
NOW I SEE. I DIDN'T MEAN TO FREAK YOU GUYS OUT.

YEAH, I FEEL FINE.
EVERY-ONE... THANK YOU.



YES.
YOU'RE GOING HOME, AREN'T YOU, KAORU-SAMA?
AOI-CHAN...
KAORU-SAMA...
PLEASE HURRY BACK. THIS IS YOUR REAL HOME...
...AND I'LL BE WAITING FOR YOU

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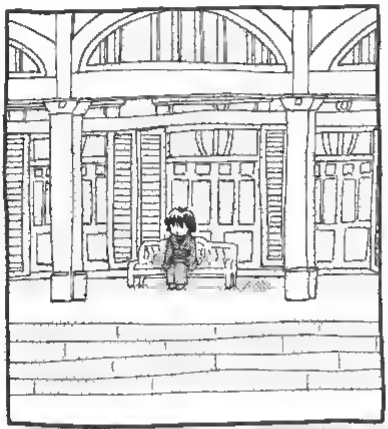

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